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Mulroney stands firm on support for Israel

OTTAWA —

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney has reaffirmed that "Canada's policy towards the Middle East is based on an unshakable commitment to the integrity and the independence of the State of Israel."

Mulroney made the statement in the House of Commons the day after the Senate foreign affairs committee tabled its final report on the Middle East (CJN July 4).

He was answering a question from Bill Attewell, a member of his own party, who was recently appointed chairman of the Canada-Israel Parliamentary Friendship Group.

Characterizing the report as "unbalanced and misleading," Attewell asked what effect it would have on Canada's policy towards Israel.

"Nothing will cause this government of Canada to waver in its long and steadfast support for Israel's security and wellbeing," Mulroney replied.

"We will continue to offer credible support and credible efforts at all times with moderate and thoughtful nations in the area to secure for the region a just and endurable peace."

Commenting to The Canadian Jewish News, Liberal MP Roland de Corneille said that the report's analysis of the history of the Middle East "leaves very much to be desired. Its scholarship is very poor, and its perspective is grossly imbalanced."

It deserves, de Corneille concluded, to be relegated to "dusty archives."

Senator Nathan Nurgitz, who together with Senator Jerry Grafstein, was one of two Jews on the Senate committee, agreed. (Both Nurgitz and Grafstein refused to endorse the report.)

If and when the report is adopted by the Senate, Nurgitz told The CJN, the government should "treat it with monumental indifference."

Reagan, Shultz praise Israel

Hijack strengthens ties

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Israel's relations with the U.S., rather than having been weakened by the 18-day TWA hijacking, have been enhanced by it.

In separate messages to Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres last week, President Ronald Reagan and Secretary of State George Shultz paid tribute to the way Israel handled the crisis that led to the release of 39 American hostages in Lebanon.

Reagan, saying Israel had "earned the respect and admiration of all those... who prize... freedom and justice," declared that "ties between Israel and the U.S. have been strengthened" by the TWA affair.

Shultz praised Israel for its "cooperation" and "solidarity" with the U.S., and added that both nations had "defied the attempts of those who would divide us."

In a series of events which Israel and the U.S. claimed were unrelated, the 39 hostages were released and 300 of 735 Lebanese in an Israeli prison were freed a few days later. This had been the main demand of the hijackers, who were reportedly affiliated with the pro-Iranian Shiite Party of God.

The Israeli government denied it had bowed to terrorist demands, claiming it planned to release the

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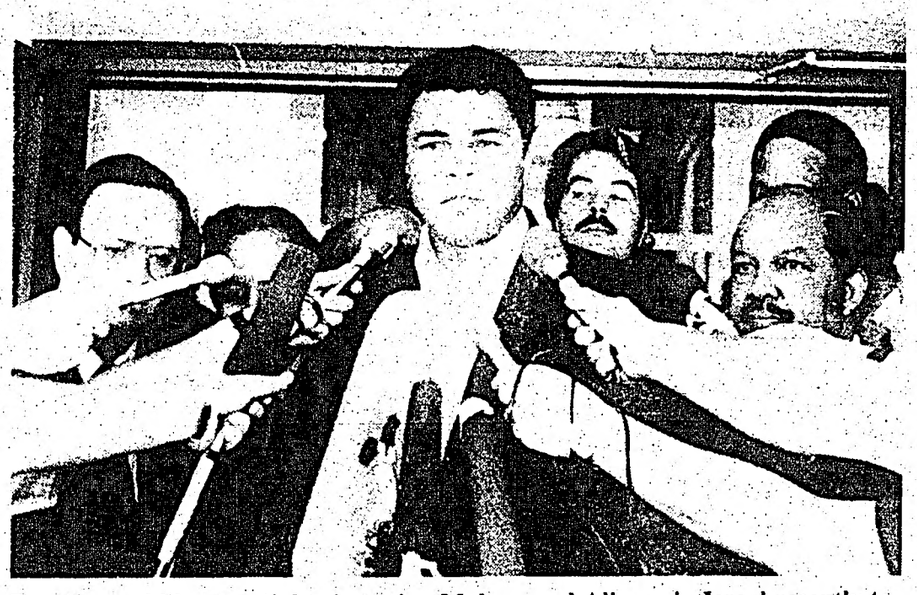

Former world heavyweight champion Muhammed Ali was in Israel recently to secure the release of his "700 Moslem brothers" held at Atlit prison. He said he came "in the name of God." He is seen here at a press conference on arrival in Tel Aviv. [IPPA photo]

Arabs, Jews detained for terrorist attacks

TEL AVIV [JTA] —

Police Sunday detained 190 Arabs and 17 Jews in connection with three coinciding but apparently unrelated terrorists acts in the Tel Aviv area.

Arab terrorists are believed responsible for a roadside explosion that injured five people slightly at a bus stop near Holon on the southern outskirts of Tel Aviv early Sunday morning. A few minutes later, another roadside explosive detonated near Geha, a short distance away, without causing casualties.

Two Israel Defence Force-type fragmentation grenades meanwhile partially destroyed the unused Hassan Bek mosque on the seashore between Tel Aviv and Jaffa. The grenades were thrown by an unidentified youth according to two eyewitnesses who gave chase after shouting at him in Hebrew and English to stop. The alleged perpetrator lost his pursuers in a side street near the mosque. A police search of the area turned up a knapsack containing a grenade and articles of clothing.

According to police, one of the 17 persons detained in connection with the grenade incident answered the description given them by the eyewitnesses.

The Hassan Bek mosque was damaged during Israel's War of Independence in 1948. The ruined building was bought by a Jewish contractor several years ago and plans were to turn it into a tourist attraction and shopping centre. But the former owners, the Wakf Moslem Property Association, later reneged on the deal and demanded that the mosque be restored as a house of worship.

New austerity program

Rough ride for Israel

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

Trade unionists, angered over the government's new emergency economic program, are meeting continually to map future job actions, including the possibility of another general strike which, like the one called July 2-3 by Histadrut, virtually shut down the country for 24 hours.

At the same time, the fear of mass unemployment seemed to recede as the Employment Service reported that 16,425 were jobless last month, an 8% drop in unemployed from the previous month.

Despite the strike, the Knesset, under strict coalition discipline, handed Premier Shimon Peres and Finance Minister Yitzhak Modai, a substantial victory when it voted 70-17 to approve the program adopted by the government.

All but one of the seven Likud ministers who opposed the austerity program during a 20-hour marathon cabinet session dutifully voted for it. The exception was Deputy Premier and Housing Minister David Levy, who absented himself from the chamber during the vote.

The major elements of the new economic program include an 18.8% devaluation of the shekel. This, plus the "creeping devaluation" of the shekel during the past week, adds up to a 30% devaluation. The rate of the shekel against the

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CJN will take a break

To enable our staff to enjoy a summer vacation, The CJN will NOT publish on Aug. 1 and Aug. 8, and the offices in Toronto and Montreal will be closed the weeks of July 22 and July 29. We'll be back at work on Aug. 6 to prepare the Aug. 15 issue.

• Because of the vacation, the July 25 issue will go to press earlier than usual. Editorial deadline for this issue is Monday, July 15 in Toronto; advertising deadline is Wednesday noon, July 17.

Your cooperation will be appreciated.

Women hope for progress

22 at Nairobi meet

MONTREAL —

Twenty-two Canadian Jewish women are participating in the United Nations End of Decade for Women Forum and Conference which began in Nairobi, Kenya, this week. The conference will conclude July 25.

Among the delegates are representatives from Canadian Hadassah-WIZO, ORT, National Council of Jewish Women and B'nai B'rith.

Before leaving, one of the women, Dorothy Reitman, said she hoped this conference would not be another scene of vitriolic attacks on Israel and Zionism as was the case at previous Women's Decade conferences in Mexico City in 1975 and Copenhagen in 1980.

"If the Nairobi conference becomes politicized, discussions on the substantial inequities and injustics suffered by women in many countries will be ignored," she said.

The Canadian Jewish women, together with Jewish women from other countries, will press Western governments and human rights organizations to ensure that the conference sticks to its agenda and that divisive political issues are not allowed to disrupt the proceedings.

The official theme of the conference is equality, development and peace, with sub-themes on employment, health and education. Conference delegates are to review the achievements of the past decade and set goals for the future.

At the mid-decade conference in Copenhagen, Zionism was listed among the obstacles to achieving the decade's goals. Reitman said one of the main tasks of the Jewish women will be to eliminate the word Zionism from this list in documents drawn up at Nairobi, as well as to block discussion of Zionism at the forum preceding the official conference.

"There is a small hope that this may be possible," she said, "due to a pre-electoral pledge by (U.S.) President Reagan and because of the fact some Third World countries do not want the UN conference to become bogged down in this matter."

Another hopeful sign is that in a report on strategies for the conference, there is only one mention of Zionism left under the heading of "obstacles to development." The word Zionism does not appear in the section "obstacles to peace," nor in the report put out by the preparatory body after a meeting in March in Vienna.

Several of the Canadian Jewish women will be participating in programs of the forum, which will include a workshop sponsored by the International Council of Jewish Women, and a management seminar for Third World women conducted by the Match International Centre.

In addition, the National Council of Jewish Women delegates will meet a group of Kenyan women with whom they share a joint project to build a mill for maize, a staple crop of the country.

The Canadian Jewish women will also participate in daily sessions at the Nairobi Jewish Community Centre with local Jewish women and in the Canadian government briefing during the conference.

Patrilineal principle upheld by Schindler

NEW YORK —

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, last week rejected a proposal by the head of the Rabbinical Assembly — the organization of Conservative rabbis — that Reform rabbis repudiate the practice that recognizes as Jewish the child of a mixed marriage in which either parent is Jewish [CJN July 4].

Rabbi Alexander Shapiro, the Conservative leader, had made the call in an address to the Central Conference of American Rabbis, meeting in Minneapolis.

In reply, Rabbi Schindler declared:

"There is broad support within the Conservative movement for the patrilineal principle. It has been expressed by such leading Conservative figures as Gerson Cohen, Wolf Kelman and Harold Schulman, among others. For this reason I am convinced that the Conservative movement will ultimately accept the principle that a child's Jewishness may be determined from either the father or the mother, provided that the child is given a Jewish upbringing.

"It would be far better, therefore, for Rabbi Shapiro to lead his own movement into the future than seek to bring ours into the past."

It was Rabbi Schindler who, in an address to the UAHC general assembly in 1981, proposed that the Reform movement adopt the patrilineal principle, which permits Jewish identity to be transmitted through the father as well as the mother, with the proviso that the child receive Jewish training.

His proposal was adopted by the CCAR in 1983.

Restaurant bombed

PARIS (JTA) —

A powerful bomb exploded last week in the French northern city of Lorient, causing extensive damage to an Israeli-style restaurant. Damage to the building and the neighborhood was extensive, but no one was injured in the blast.

The restaurant, the Kibbutz, serves Israeli food, is decorated with blue and white flags and has Stars of David inscribed on its walls. Its non-Jewish owner, Andre Hamonou, 43, is known as a fervent supporter of the Jewish state.

World-National

50 years later, nothing has changed

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

The city of Washington has a byláw which states that no demonstrations may take place within a space of 500 feet of a foreign embassy. For a long time Jews and others held a perpetual vigil for Soviet Jews just outside the 500-foot zone, but a few months ago 25 rabbis — Reform, Conservative and Orthodox — decided that they would put the law to a test, risk arrest and thereby bring increased attention to the plight of Soviet Jewry. They were indeed arrested and on June 10 an additional 21 rabbis broke the ordinance and were hauled away in the paddy wagon. There were rabbis not only from the Washington area. . . they had come from various states and from as far away as Florida (CJN June 27).

Rabbi Plaut

They were treated like criminals of the ordinary type, were put in a holding cell where they had to stand up, without possibility of sitting down, from noon till 6 p.m., when they were finally released on their own recognizance. They were tired, hungry — and exhilarated. They also knew that like the first batch, they would have to stand trial in the future.

Rabbi Bruce Kahn of Chevy Chase Md., called me the next day. He belongs to the group that was arrested earlier and came up for trial on the very day the second group were arrested.

I asked him how the legal expenses of the trial were to be met, and he told me that all defending lawyers were giving their services free and that the person in overall charge of the defence was Henry Asbill, a non-Jew, whose father had once visited the Soviet Union and had come away with strong convictions that he imparted to his son.

What will the defence strategy be? I asked.

Two separate arguments will be made, Rabbi Kahn told me: (1) that the arrest lacks legality because it constitutes selective prosecution. Similar demonstrations have taken place within the forbidden zone in front of the South African embassy, but no arrests were made. But someone in the justice department evidently wanted the anti-Soviet demonstrators to be hauled in. Was it because the ambassador of the Soviet Union had complained to the state department and that the rabbis' trial was to show that America would enforce the law?

The second argument was one of constitutionality. May a city pass a law restricting the constitutionally guaranteed freedom of assembly when there is no clear and present danger to anyone? Certainly there was no intimation that the rabbis who demonstrated would make a physical attack on the embassy.

Now comes the most interesting part: I understand that the bylaw was passed 50 years ago in order to protect — of all parties — the Nazi embassy from the wrath of Jews. What an irony that a half-century later Jews again will be prevented from voicing their concern under a regulation originally directed to protect Nazis!

The arrests will not, however, end the demonstrations. In July and August, Jewish lay people will demonstrate and so will Christian clergy, and all expect to face arrest and trial. The media have already given wide attention to the matter, and I am sure that the Soviet leadership is less than pleased with the development. That, after all, is the purpose of the exercise.

Poles accused of racist plot

BONN [JTA] —

The mass circulation daily Die Welt claimed last week that the Polish secret service is behind an anti-semitic campaign to incite Catholics against Jews. The Jewish community in Poland is miniscule.

Die Welt cites Polish nationals, including ethnic Germans recently arrived from Warsaw, as the sources of reports that the secret service deliberately circulates anti-semitic material in churches in order to distance the regime from the campaign. But Die Welt said it was told by visitors and church officials that they had no doubts whatever as to the origin of the leaflets.

Pickering replaces Lewis in Israel

Big shoes to fill for new ambassador

By
WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

Thomas Reeve Pickering is not going to have an easy time following in the footsteps of Samuel Lewis, the just-departed and well-liked U.S. ambassador to Israel.

Lewis, by virtually all accounts, had established an extraordinary intimate relationship with many influential Israelis — both in and out of government — while retaining a very high degree of confidence back in Washington. That was no simple trick.

Now back in Washington, Lewis has retired from the U.S. foreign service. He will be lecturing at the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies in Washington, his alma mater, in addition to writing a book on his experiences in Israel.

But if anyone can emulate Lewis' success in Israel, it is Pickering, a smooth and astute 53-year-old diplomat who will be arriving in Tel Aviv in the coming weeks — after a brief vacation — with an impressive record of diplomatic achievement. He is a career diplomat who has served in some rather explosive places; his most recent assignment was as ambassador to El Salvador, where he distinguished himself in fighting for human rights and opposing the so-called "death squads." In the process, he earned the wrath of Republican Senator Jesse Helms of North Carolina and some other hardline conservatives.

But on the whole, he was seen as very effective in promoting President Ronald Reagan's broad policies in Central America. He had earlier served as ambassador to Nigeria (1981-83) and to Jordan (1974-78).

While in Jordan, he learned some Arabic. A United Press International reporter once wrote this of Pickering's performance in Jordan: "Pickering is said to be as flexible as the situation demands, developing a solid relationship with King Hussein but also able to talk with Bedouin tribesmen during his archeological digs in the Jordanian desert."

Pickering, in many respects, has a diplomatic style similar to that of Lewis. Outgoing and friendly by nature yet always quite serious in and aware of his main mission, the new ambassador to Israel is likely to use many of the same personal and professional techniques so sucessfully used by Lewis to advance U.S. interests in Israel.

Already, for example, Pickering has made the rounds in Washington and New York meeting the key American Jewish leaders. Being ambadssador in Israel automatically means establishing a rapport with Israel's most important backers in the United States.

At the invitation of Ambassador Meir Rosenne, Pickering went to the Israeli embassy in Washington to exchange views with the senior diplomatic staff. Israeli officials described him as well-informed, smart and charming — all true.

These traits were also quite evident during two separate days of confirmation hearings before the Senate foreign relations committee. Helms, as expected, grilled him on many issues — but mostly involving Central America.

On the questions of U.S. policy toward Israel, the Arab-Israeli conflict and the overall situation in the Middle East, Pickering demonstrated that he was indeed a quick study. He answered them all to the point but cautiously — always staying well within the guidelines of long-standing U.S. policy. There was no deviation from the administration's line on such sensitive matters as Jerusalem, Israeli settlements, the war in Lebanon and other issues. He did not slip once.

His performance tended to underline why Secretary of State George Shultz had been so keen on his appointment many months ago. Shultz, knowing of Lewis' planned departure this summer, wanted what state department insiders said was one of the two or three best diplomats in the U.S. foreign service for the Tel Aviv posting. The secretary knew that if he did not push through an appointment early in the selection process, the pressures would mount for some political appointee — someone who might have clout in the Republican Party and among politicians in the White House, but without the essential diplomatic experience and finesse to handle the extremely delicate situation in Israel.

According to state department officials, Shultz, therefore, decided to preempt any political appointment. He went to President Reagan very early with the Pickering selection. Strongly prodded by Shultz, Reagan immediately signed off on the nomination, thereby killing any notion of sending a non-professional to Israel.

When Shultz two years earlier pressed for Pickering's appointment to El Salvador, Shultz said this of him: "We particularly wanted to find a real professional, so we looked within the foreign service with its very high standards and tried to pick out of the heavy cream the best that the service has to offer. That brought us to Tom Pickering."

There were some initial murmurings among Israeli officials and American Jewish leaders that Pickering's tenure as ambassador to Jordan might not make him all that welcome in Israel. Pickering, after all, had been one of the pointmen in 1975 in lobbying Congress in favor of the Ford administration's controversial proposal to sell Hawk anti-aircraft missiles to Jordan. He was then ambassador to Amman. He had returned to Washington to push for the sale, which faced stiff Congressional opposition because of fears that those weapons might be used against Israel.

Pickering, a very tall, balding man who wears glasses, was very much involved in the behind-the-scenes negotiations to reach a compromise with pro-Israeli members of Congress over the sale. The Jordanians, in the end, were able to purchase the missiles, provided that they were fixed in concrete sites in the eastern and northern sections of the Kingdom — away from Israel.

Now, 10 years later, King Hussein is still pressing for the more advanced mobile version of the missile. The Reagan administration, while clearly supportive of the king's request, has so far not formally submitted any such proposal to Congress.

The ambassador was hopeful during his confirmation hearings that some progress could be achieved this year in promoting direct Arab-Israeli peace negotiations. He said Israel and Jordan, for instance, were currently "in the early stages" of a revived peace process. He recognized that getting such actual negotiations off the ground was not going to be easy. But it was certainly possible.

Pickering's early career gave him a rather full range of experiences, serving with the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency in Washington, later joining the U.S. delegation to the 18-nation disarmament conference in Geneva, and then working in the political section of the U.S. embassy in Zanzibar. He later served in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, as deputy chief of mission. In 1969, he returned to Washington to become deputy director of the Bureau of Politico-Military Affairs in the state department. He went to Jordan as ambassador while Henry Kissinger served as Secretary of State in 1974.

There's nothing like a cure to debunk medical myths

By
ELLEN GOODMAN

BOSTON —

Over the past several years, I have learned about something called The Cancer Personality. According to my reading, there are certain kinds of people who are most likely to get this disease. The fault lies not in their cells but in their psyches.

The Big C types, say the theorists, are passive, emotionless, hopeless and helpless. They don't have the chemical grit, as it were, to get up there and fight the cancer before it spreads. They sort of roll over and play dead. This does not, of course, explain John Wayne's death . . . you get the idea.

The Cancer Personality profile was drawn by an advanced corps of the mind/body connectors: These are the researchers who spend their days linking mental health to physical health. Some of their work shows that people who are happy at work and in their relationships are more likely to be healthy. On the other hand, people who are grief stricken, isolated, or generally miserable are more likely to die young. This finding has undoubtedly cheered the grief stricken, isolated and generally miserable right out of their old blue funk.

In all probability, the Big C personality type was a logical heir to the Type A executive. Type A, you may remember, charged full speed ahead into the cardiovascular unit. Together, Big C and Type A offer the average citizen a terrific set of options. We can choose between being a depressed cancer candidate or an anxiety heart attack prospect.

The cancer research, however, has gone a bit further. Today, when people talk about "shrinking" the cancer patient, we don't know if they're getting ready to call the radiologist or the psychiatrist. Some believers in mind over malignancy have gone so far as to promise cures to those who visualize good cells eating bad cells — the Pacman approach. Others have prescribed lifestyles or laughter in place of Lourdes.

It's gotten to the point that anyone who gets a cancer diagnosis better feel terrific about it. If they don't have the power of positive thinking, they're writing their own negative prognosis.

But now at last there is some balance back at the tower of psycho-babble. The cancer profile hasn't been debunked exactly, but it's been downgraded. In the current New England Journal of Medicine, it is reported that a positive mental attitude, good social contacts and a happy life aren't enough to help advanced patients survive longer or prevent relapses.

Mind you, I don't really regard this as good news. As someone with "a positive mental attitude, good social contacts, a happy life" and a perfectly dreadful family cancer history, I rather thought the psychological oddsmakers were on my team.

But the side effects of mental treatment for the physically ill were dreadful. The research managed to convince a number of patients that they were, somehow or other, responsible for their own cancer. Not by smoking, but by living alone or being depressed or not watching enough Marx brothers movies. They wouldn't be sick if they hadn't lost their sense of humor. That sort of thing.

It even managed to convince a coterie of patients and families that the best treatment to their disease lay right between their own ears. They regarded a losing fight against cancer as a personal weakness.

I suppose it is easy to blame the victim when we cannot cure him. And maybe that is at the core of the personality research. At times, standard cancer treatment can be as sophisticated as Sherman's march to the sea. There is no penicillin, no Salk vaccine for the diseases we lump together under the heading "cancer."

Mystery lends itself to mythology. Myth rushes in to fill a scientific vacuum. It emerges as folklore: Be quiet or you'll get an ulcer; slow down or you'll have a heart attack; stop being unhappy or you'll get cancer. Myths explain the unknown: He was "cancer-prone"; she had a "cancer personality."

But it is amazing how quickly myths disappear when there are cures. I am sure there are many links between mind and body, between psyche and cells. But we know less about the way they work than about the way a cell metastasizes. A study like this one puts a check on glibness and maybe even on cruelty.

The next time someone offers to paint a Cancer Profile for you, tell them you are a perfect Type S. The S is for skeptical.

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Free vote of delegates sought

Kadima president wants to end old boys' network

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —
The head of the Canadian Council of Reform Zionists— Kadima— says his group is determined to end what he terms an "old boys" network of Canadian Zionists by re-instituting a free vote of delegates to the next World Zionist Congress.

The national president of Kadima, Rabbi Michael Stroh of Toronto's Temple Har Zion, told The Canadian Jewish News his group will request the Canadian Zionist Federation and the World Zionist Organization to allow free, democratic elections of delegates to the next congress, instead of using the current system of choosing representatives, which Stroh called unfair.

Kadima, which claims 6,000 members in Canada, is affiliated with the worldwide Reform Zionist movement Arzenu, which has 100,000 members in six countries.

It is also a constituent of the Canadian Zionist Federation, which ultimately decides who attends the congresses.

There have been no elections of delegates to the last two World Zionist Congresses and since 1979, the year of its founding, Kadima has grown to become one of the largest Zionist groups in Canada, Stroh said.

He said the current system of picking delegates to the congress is charged with cronyism and not representative of the myriad of Zionist groups in Canada.

The present method, he explained, is that groups send some appointed representatives to an area elections committee, which in turn chooses the delegates to be sent to the next congress.

But Stroh said the committee, which is an arm of the CZF, often ignores representatives from smaller or newer Zionist factions and that these groups end up either under-represented or not represented at all at world congresses.

"It's all based on an agreement. If they all agree (on who to send) then there's no election of delegates," Stroh said.

As a result, he added, Kadima was "allocated" only one delegate for the last congress, the 30th, held in early 1982 in Jerusalem.

By comparison, the 49,000-member CZF sent 19 delegates to the last congress.

One Zionist group, a small Sephardic faction, did not get any delegates, Stroh added.

The next congress is scheduled for 1986 or 1987 and Stroh is hoping for more proportional representation.

Stroh also says that the CZF selections committee sent a telegram to the Supreme Zionist Court in Jerusalem— the world arbiter in political-Zionist matters— to the effect that the choosing of Canadian delegates to the last congress was agreed to unanimously.

But Kadima, which means forward in Hebrew, sent its own telegram, saying the decision on who to send was made without its input.

Stroh said the court sent a message back to the committee, ordering elections of Canadian delegates to the 30th congress.

Stroh charges the CZF ignored the order.

As well, he said, the CZF turned down his request for elections following the last congress.

"We're letting everyone know we're calling for elections for the next congress. Let them not say we didn't make it known."

He said every member of the CZF or members of its agencies would be entitled to vote for delegates.

Stroh created a stir in March, 1984, when he announced he would not withdraw his candidacy for president of the CZF, even after a deal was struck to share the presidency between Neri Bloomfield and David Azrieli, both of Montreal.

He said then that the power sharing agreement reflected CZF "party politics" and that the deal was undemocratic.

Rabbi Michael Stroh

He also said Kadima had been "bamboozled" out of a larger number of delegates.

What's different about Kadima, according to Stroh, is that it is not aligned with any political party in Israel, whereas many other Zionist groups are, most notably with either Labor or Herut.

It also has more youth membership than other groups and stands for "religious pluralism" in Israel.

Although Kadima has "cordial" relations with the CZF, Stroh said the CZF still has no written constitution and that "a lot of changes have to be made before it's to be taken seriously as a Jewish organization."

CZF executive director Leon Kronitz told The CJN he is "very much for" free election of delegates but only "if we can solve the question of the prohibitive expenses involved. You have to send registered letters to 49,000 people. I'm for it, but in practical terms it's very difficult."

AWARD FOR HADASSAH-WIZO

The Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry presented an award recently to Hadassah-WIZO "for noble endeavors in rescuing Soviet Jewry." From left are: Barbara Stern, chairman of the Committee for Soviet Jewry; Cecily Peters, national president Hadassah-WIZO; Toronto MP Lynn McDonald and Edmonton MP David Kilgour, chairman of the Parliamentary Group for Soviet Jewry.

Institutions attacked

Community shaken by fires

BUENOS AIRES [JTA]
Four arson attempts against Jewish institutions in Rosario have badly shaken the 12,000-member Jewish community in that city, the second largest in Argentina.

According to the Latin American branch of the World Jewish Congress, all four attempts occurred over a short period of time. The most recently targeted was the Bikur Holim, a charitable institution which provides medical services and distributes medicine free to Jewish and non-Jewish poor. It followed by only a few days attempted arson at the Sephardic synagogue in Rosario.

Leaders of the Jewish community, supported by the DAIA, the representative body of Argentine Jews, have denounced the series of incidents and complained directly to the governor of Santa Fe province where Rosario is located.

Rosario is a major industrial and port city on the River Plate, northwest of Buenos Aires. The province is governed by the opposition Peronist Party. Jewish leaders have remarked at the impunity with which the Jewish institutions were attacked. All are located in the centre of the city.

Analysts seeking to identify the culprits have noted the existence of pro-fascist groups among the Peronistas with a history of anti-semitism. But in the absence of concrete evidence, the identity of the arsonists remains a matter of speculation for the time being.

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Living Halacha

By
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QUESTION: Some people dislike Galician Jews. Others love them while hating another branch of our people. Which lands produced the best? Which produced the worst?

We are now in the period of the Jewish calendar when we mourn the destruction of the Temple. That destruction took place because of the undeserved hatred of which you write.

Rabbi Burak

The Talmud, in Tractate Yoma, 9B, tells us that "the first Temple was destroyed because of the sins of idolatry, harlotry and murder. The second Temple, in spite of Torah studied, and commandments and deeds of love done during its existence, fell because of groundless hatred. And this teaches that groundless hatred is a sin that weighs as heavily as idolatry, harlotry, and murder."

This needs to be told to those who, for one reason or another, despise a Galitzianer, or a Litvak. It is a case of groundless hatred, and there is enough of it around to make people hesitate when asked where they were born. For their sake we should remember who the Galician Jew was, and what were the qualities of his mind and heart.

As a young man I used to attend public gatherings that took place in the Brunswick Avenue Talmud Torah in Toronto. Walking through the building, I studied the long marble tablets which listed the names of generous donors and the number of dollars they gave for the school. As I recall, the name Moses Gelber was first on all the tablets. The figure beside his name was $10,000. Each time the life of the school was threatened, he gave another $10,000. He seems to have never tired of giving. Neither did his brother. Gelber Brothers was a name to conjure with. From whence came these marvelous men?

They were Galician Jews!

Great, good hearts

The same must be said of the Lithuanian Jews. They had great, good, hearts. Though the land in which they lived was frightfully poor, impoverished people fed poor yeshiva students a daily meal in order to encourage Torah learning. The parents of these youths had sent them to the big cities to study. Student heads were good; student pockets were empty. So, people who barely had enough food for their own families would feed a hungry yeshiva bocher.

But, some of the students couldn't accept the sacrifice made by those poor people. I once asked a fine scholar who had left the Kletsk Yeshiva, why had he departed before getting his rabbinic diploma? His answer was: "I left when I grew ashamed to eat my meals in the homes of poor people who could use the food for their own children."

The Litvak's role has improved in recent days. Richard Stoll, in an experiment described in volume 5 (1984) Toronto Working Papers in Linguistics, University of Toronto, studied the reactions of a number of people to different Yiddish dialects. Lithuanian Yiddish received the highest rating, 95%, and the speaker was considered "highly intelligent."

On another tape, the speaker changed his dialect to Romanian Yiddish, whereupon his rating plummeted. Those who have a similar attitude towards Romanian Jews have not studied them too well. A wise observer of the Jewish scene had this to say about Romanian Jewry: "The Romanian Jew was proud of his Jewish name. . . . In Bucharest, on Victoria Blvd., opposite the royal palace, I saw with my own eyes great stores, blazing with electric lights, spelling out such names as, Moishe Chaim Isakovich, or, Shabtai Michal Kahana." We should be proud of such people.

The problem is as old as the Diaspora. Babylonian Jews who came to live in Israel were told some funny things about themselves. Said Rabbi Yirmiyah, in Tractate Yoma, 57A: "These foolish Babylonians, because they live in a dark country, they utter dark teachings."

So, if you are needled for being a "Pollisher," don't be dismayed. Just remind that fellow that the erudite Rabbi Menasha ben Israel z.l. — the man who got Cromwell to readmit Jews to England — sent his youngest son, "very learned in Talmud, and master of four languages" to study in Lublin, Poland. He tells to us in his book Nishmas Chaim (Warsaw, 1876) 3:5, page 53A.

Passed feelings on to students

Keegstra admits detest for some

(CP and staff)

RED DEER, Alta. — James Keegstra again came under aggressive cross-examination last week, as Crown attorney Bruce Fraser continued to question his use of sources and probed for contradictions in Keegstra's views of history.

As the first week of cross-examination came to a close, the former Eckville school teacher said he had an extreme dislike for people he believed were trying to destroy Christian society and he encouraged his social studies students to feel the same way. He later qualified himself by saying he disliked their deeds, but later reiterated it's not unreasonable to detest wicked people.

Keegstra, 51, is charged with wilfully promoting hatred of Jews while a school teacher in Eckville, a community of about 900, 50 kms. west of here.

The former teacher said he warned his social studies students to be wary of all Jews, in case they were part of the so-called "international Jewish conspiracy." Keegstra said he detested the people he believed were out to destroy Christianity and its institutions, such as the family.

"And you would pass this dislike on to your students," said Fraser.

"That would be right," said Keegstra, adding it was important the students be aware of those trying to destroy them or they would never take action.

One of the main lines of defence Keegstra and defence lawyer Doug Christie have tried to establish is the "reasonble" basis for the former teacher's beliefs.

As cross-examination entered its second week, Fraser concentrated on Keegstra's "research" methods.

Keegstra, who has been on the stand for more than 25 days, said he was not aware of some books which contradict what he believes about so-called conspiracy leaders.

He told Fraser even that information might not cause him to change his mind because he looked at actions and drew conclusions from them.

Later Keegstra told a mostly full court he discounted contradictory material related to the so-called international Jewish conspiracy if it didn't jibe with what he believed to be the truth.

Keegstra said he believes he told his social studies students that oil billionaire John D. Rockefeller claimed to be a devout Baptist, though in court and in students' notes, he is referred to as a Jew.

"I was taking a look at what he did and the way he got his fortune together," Keegstra said. "He was not really practicing what a Baptist believed, if a Baptist was a true Christian.

"As far as I was concerned, his actions betrayed what he said."

Soviet dictator Josef Stalin may also have been a Jew and was evil enough to be one because of his Bolshevik ties and his persecution of Christians, Keegstra said.

Fraser challenged Keegstra's belief that American banking industry in the early part of the 20th century was controlled by Jews and had inflicted debt slavery on the world.

Fraser cited a February 1936 Fortune magazine survey which said most major U.S. banking firms were run by non-Jews, and that Jewish concerns held only a small percentage of foreign and domestic loans.

Keegstra said the article, had he been aware of it, would have provoked more research. But he wondered if perhaps the non-Jewish principals of these banks weren't simply a front.

Turning to a 1920 article by Winston Churchill quoted by Keegstra in court, Fraser asked why he had used only part of the article to support his "theory" of a Jewish conspiracy despite disagreeing with most of Churchill's points.

Keegstra said he couldn't recall pointing out to his students that Churchill considered Zionism a positive force or that so-called national Jews were in every way good citizens of the countries in which they lived.

The former teacher was often defensive, heavily qualifying his replies. At one point Justice John MacKenzie told Keegstra to answer questions more directly.

Keegstra identified the Churchill article as appearing in the book Six Million Reconsidered, published by Noontide Press, which Fraser earlier connected to U.S. anti-semitic groups.

Fraser also assailed the validity of work by Nesta Webster, a 1920s author whom Keegstra said he relied on heavily.

Fraser referred to references to her from a book called Architects of Fear by George Johnson, which connected Webster with Britain's fascist movement and the occult.

The jacket of one of Webster's books said she believed she had lived in the 18th century.

Keegstra said he was unaware of Johnson's allegations, but he stood by her writings.

Key decisions made at BBC convention

TORONTO —

A resolution permitting women to have direct affiliation with B'nai B'rith Canada was passed by delegates to the organization's recent 22nd annual convention at Grossinger's in New York state. Other resolutions include establishing a committee to develop BBC's policy on nuclear disarmament.

The 3-day convention included speakers on issues of Jewish concern, programming and policy sessions as well as budget sessions. A budget was passed for the forthcoming year that includes provisions for a new B'nai B'rith Canada office in Ottawa.

As previously reported [CJN June 27], Harry Bick of Montreal was installed as president of BBC for 1985-86.

Other executive positions filled were: vice-presidents (Montreal) Harry Bloomfield, Harvey Lancit; (Toronto) Dr. Brian Feldman, Harvey Rosen; (non-metropolitan) Richard Rosenthal, Moishe Smith; (Central Canadian Council) Howard Henry; and (Northwest Canadian Council) Grant Scharfstein.

Members at large chosen were: (Montreal) Hershie Frankel, Lionel Oberman, Bernie Pessah; (Toronto) Jules Kronis, David Lieberman, Michael Rosenberg; (non-metropolitan) David Abraham, Jack Marcovitch, Morton Pliskow, Bernice Vigod; (Central Canadian Council) Howard Kideckel and (Northwest Canadian Council) Jack Feingold.

The position of president-elect was to have been filled by Charles Goldlust who died on the day of the instalation.

Kenneth Bialkin, national chairman of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith in the U.S. and keynote speaker on the first night of the convention, told of the lessons learned by the American Jewish community as a result of the Bitburg experience.

"We are reminded that even our good friends sometimes are not sensitive to our deepest concerns . . . We are reminded that we are sometimes alone in our determination to keep the memory of the Holocaust alive so that its lessons can be learned for all generations.

"We were reminded again that in many hearts anti-semitism rests just beneath the surface, to rise up at almost any provocation. And we are reminded again that we must be ever on our guard and prepared to respond," he said.

Wolf Blitzer, Washington correspondent for The Jerusalem Post and The Canadian Jewish News, delivered the keynote address. He presented an Israeli perspective on the central issues of concern in the Middle East.

His description of current events in Israel included mention of the newly arrived Ethiopian immigrants whom he met on a recent visit. "It was a heartwarming experience to see Ethiopian Jews arrive in Israel. Despite the difficulties, they are well received by the Israelis."

He was hopeful that 6,000-8,000 Jews remaining in Ethiopia will be reunited with their families in Israel.

Blitzer said that although Israel has made great achievements over the past 37 years, she needs financial support. He urged Western Jewry to go to Israel and thereby "make a symbolic statement of solidarity and encouragement to the people of Israel."

Throughout the convention, workshops were held on fund raising, anti-semitism and the Canadian media, Soviet Jewry, programming for the Canadian Jewish community, and the future of Canadian Jewry. Anita Diamant, author and lecturer, spoke on the nature of the Jewish wedding in the 1980s.

Bill Attewell

Attewell new chairman of parliamentary group

OTTAWA —

Bill Attewell, the MP for the Toronto riding of Don Valley East, has been appointed the new chairman of the Canada-Israel Parliamentary Group.

On the new executive are MPs Roland de Corneille, Gilles Bernier, Francois Gerin, John Oostrom, Nelson Riis, and Barbara Sparrow, and Senators Finlay MacDonald and Lorna Marsden.

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Jewish Agency holds annual meeting

Bitter exchange marks Law of Return debate

JERSUALEM [JTA] — The Jewish Agency assembly, at its recent annual meeting here, approved a $413 million budget for fiscal 1985-86, plus an additional $48 million for project Renewal.

(The Jewish Agency allocates funds in Israel raised worldwide through the United Israel Appeal and the United Jewish Appeal in the U.S. Project Renewal is a program to rehabilitate slum areas in Israel.)

The assembly was told that the UJA campaign in the U.S. has raised $548.1 million so far in 1985, a dollar gain over the same period last year of $59.6 million. The campaign is 78% completed.

It was reported also that $638.5 million was raised for Campaign 1984, the largest sum ever raised by UJA in any peacetime year.

During the course of the assembly a resolution was overwhelmingly approved urging the Israel government not to introduce amendments to the Law of Return.

The resolution was adopted by vote of 119-38 after a bitter exchange between the Orthodox delegates and the representatives of Conservative and Reform Judaism. The Orthodox have been pressing for years for an amendment that would invalidate conversions to Judaism not peformed "according to halacha." The effect would be to deny Jewish status to immigrants converted by non-Orthodox rabbis abroad.

The amendment has been introduced in the Knesset several times in recent years and decisively defeated. It has been opposed on grounds that it is divisive and would create a serious rift between Diaspora Jewry and Israel.

Leon Dulzin, chairman of the Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization executives wrote Premier Shimon Peres recently demanding that the government consult with the Jewish Agency on any move to amend the Law of Return. Dulzin stressed that any changes could be harmful to the functioning of the Jewish Agency because aliya is one of its primary responsibilities.

Dulzin proposed to the assembly the establishment in Israel of a prestigious American-Jewish university similar to the American University in Beirut. He maintained that such a university would attract most of the 40,000 American Jewish students now studying in Europe and bring them to Israel.

Dulzin said the main educational goals of the Jewish Agency are to offer tens of thousands of Jewish youths from overseas periods of study in Israel of varying lengths; training hundreds of teachers to improve the quality of Jewish education in the Diaspora; and to send Israeli artists to Jewish communities abroad.

Orthodox claim fuels tensions

JERUSALEM [JTA] — **Rapid escalating religious-secular tensions in Israel which have politicians and sociologists worried were further inflamed when an Orthodox cabinet minister claimed the deaths of 19 Petach Tikva school children in a recent train-bus collision was an act of divine retribution for Sabbath desecrations in Petach Tikva.**

The remark by Interior Minister Yitzhak Peretz of the tiny Shas Party brought immediate demands for his ouster from the bereaved parents. It will be the subject of a parliamentary question to which Premier Shimon Peres will have to reply in the Knesset. It has been denounced not only by political figures of left and right but by many rabbis and religious scholars.

Peretz's linkage of a tragic accident to divine wrath was backed by the Shas Party's spiritual mentor, the aged Rabbi Eliezer Shach, head of the Ponevezh Yeshiva in Bnai Brak, who said Peretz spoke as a rabbi, not a government minister.

But Rabbi Yisrael Lav, Chief Rabbi of Netanya, admonished his Orthodox colleague. No one can know the workings of divine justice he said.

Prof. Ephraim Urbach, an eminent Talmudist who heads Israel's prestigious Academy of Sciences, spoke scornfully of Peretz's "toto (football pools) theology." He was referring to the fact that many Shas voters spend their Sabbath throwing rocks at people driving to football matches.

Non-religious personages have denounced Peretz's remarks as primitive and unfeeling. The Orthodox minister was referring to the protracted controversy over the Petach Tikva municipality's permission to a local cinema to keep open Friday nights. The movie house has been the scene of frequent clashes when religious zealots have tried by force to keep patrons from entering the theatre.

The Petach Tikva controversy is only one of many involving the right of Israelis to decide for themselves whether or not to abide by religious structures. There have been violent demonstrations in Tel Aviv for past several Saturdays over a cultural event at the Habima Theatre.

In Haifa, there is a controversy over whether the recently reactivated funicular (a cable subway ascending Mt. Carmel) will operate on Saturdays. A bitter dispute in Jerusalem concerns whether a municipal swimming pool in the suburb of Ramot will be open on Saturdays.

Registers largest gain

Florida tops for attracting Jews

NEW YORK — Florida registered the largest gain in Jewish population in the United States during the last year, substantially leading other Sunbelt states marking increases, according to statistics in the American Jewish Committee's 1985 American Jewish Year Book.

Florida's gain of nearly 80,000 Jews pushed its statewide total to 558,820, giving it the third largest concentration of Jews (5.2%) in the U.S., led only by New York with 1,879,955 (10.6%) and New Jersey with 433,475 (5.8%), and making it the third most populous Jewish state in the nation, after New York and California.

The Jewish population in the U.S. in 1984 was estimated to be 5.8 million, an increase of 89,000 over the year prior.

Other states listing significant gains were primarily in the southwest: Arizona, 53,285, up 4,000; Colorado, 44,365, up almost 3,000; and Texas, 78,470, rising by over 1,000.

In the southeast, Georgia's Jewish population rose by 1,300 to 42,155. Other southern states meanwhile showed slight drops, including Alabama, Louisiana, and North Carolina and South Carolina. In the West, Oregon recorded some population loss while California's Jewish population was up slightly from the year before, at 792,515.

Pennsylvania followed fifth in Jewish population at 412,210, succeeded by Illinois at 261,320; Massachusetts, 248,395; Maryland, 199,415; Ohio, 140,435; and Connecticut, at 107,575.

According to the year book article — Recent Jewish Community Population Studies: A Roundup — written by Gary Tobin and Alvin Chenkin, all cities studied, with the exception of Cleveland, reported a smaller mean household size than the 2.8 figure recorded by the National Jewish Population Study in 1970. Denver, Los Angeles and Miami showed the least number of Jews per family, with 2.2 members.

According to the article, St. Louis households reported the biggest annual incomes, with 43% earning more than $40,000 annually. New York City's Jewish families showed the next largest incomes, with 33% earning over $40,000 yearly. Approximately one-third of Jewish households in Denver reported incomes of more than $40,000.

"On the other hand," the authors point out, "in every community except Washington, at least 10% of the population have household incomes under $10,000, and many report incomes under $5,000." According to the authors, Los Angeles had the most households — 21% of the community — with earnings of less than $10,000.

According to the study, cities showed a substantial variation in the denominational affiliations of their Jewish residents. St. Louis and Milwaukee reported a larger percentage of Reform Jews — 52% — than other denominations. Conservatives comprised the majority of Jews in Minneapolis-St. Paul. Seattle reported the largest concentration of Orthodox Jews, at 15%.

Argentina says no to PLO, embassy move

BUENOS AIRES [JTA] The Palestine Liberation Organization will not be allowed to open an office in Buenos Aires, a ranking government official told Jewish leaders recently. But Argentina will not move its embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

Those two negatives, though not related, reflect the even-handed approach the Argentine regime is seeking to adopt toward the Middle East. It was explained in some detail by Deputy Foreign Minister Jorge Sabato in an address to the monthly public affairs forum of B'nai B'rith Argentina.

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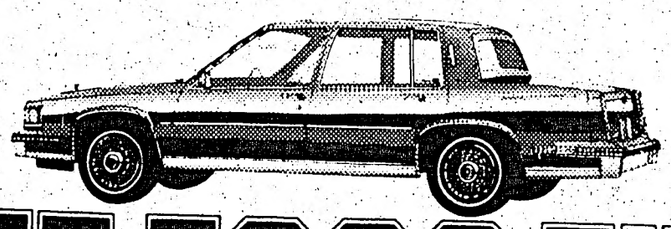

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Urges seniors be included

CJC seeks broader definition of equality rights

By RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

The Canadian Jewish Congress has called on the federal government to broaden its interpretation of the section of Canada's Constitution that discusses equality rights.

CJC submitted recommendations in Toronto recently to the Committee on Equality Rights, a traveling government body set up to hear suggestions from various groups across Canada on section 15 of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms in the Constitution.

Section 15 says "every individual is equal before and under the law and has the right to the equal protection and equal benefit of the law without discrimination and, in particular, without discrimination based on race, national or ethnic origin, color, religion, sex, age or mental or physical disability."

A subsection states that the provision does not prevent the enactment of any law or program whose purpose it is to improve the lot of a given group.

Although the Constitution was adopted in April, 1982, its equality rights provisions were not proclaimed until this past April, in order to allow the government time to ensure all its laws comply with the section.

Congress acknowledged that section 15 of the Charter is one of its most important provisions but that it's "open to a myriad of interpretations."

It urged the government to expand its interpretation of the section to include broader definitions in several areas, while retaining "the spirit of equality in the Charter".

Led by Dorothy Reitman, chairman of CJC's national executive, the delegation implored the government to recognize section 15 as not merely anti-discriminatory but as spelling out exactly what equality means. Indeed, the group pointed out that section 15 was previously entitled Anti-Discrimination Rights and was later changed to Equality Rights.

CJC recommended that since infringements of the section aren't specifically spelled out, the government should treat all infractions in this area with the same scrutiny.

Congress said the section should be widened to include the protection of senior citizens' rights.

It said some seniors' rights are protected by the Charter, which bans discrimination based on age, but that current mandatory retirement laws run counter to it because they force someone to retire at a predetermined age.

Congress argued in its submission that the Charter "protects Canadians from forced retirement." It recommended the government adopt a more flexible and "non-discriminatory" retirement policy.

The submission also called on Ottawa to adopt the recommendations of Judge Rosalie Abella's Report of the Commission on Equality in Employment, which found widespread discrimination in the workplace against women, native people, the disabled and visible minorities.

The commission's recommendations included the formation of an independent enforcement agency to remedy employment inequities.

CJC said it supports affirmative action programs to correct inequality in the workplace but not to simply stop individual complaints or isolated cases of discrimination. It also called on the government to apply the law in cases of unintentional discrimination.

It urged the government to limit its reliance on section 1 of the Charter, which guarantees rights and freedoms but "only to such reasonable limits prescribed by law as can be demonstrably justified in a free and democratic society."

Other areas of equality in which CJC called for a review are in native peoples' rights, pension schemes, the Immigration Act and the rights of the physically and mentally disabled.

Montreal doctor participates

Cancer scientists receive grants

NEW YORK —

Grants to Israeli scientists to develop new methods of early cancer detection and to combine genes from humans and mice to create more effective approaches to immunotherapy were among the awards from the U.S. and Canada totaling some $500,000 (U.S.) announced recently by the Israel Cancer Research Fund at its annual luncheon here.

Dr. Mark Wainberg of the Lady Davis Institute at Jewish General Hospital in Montreal participated in the deliberations of the ICRF's scientific review panel that awarded the record sum for cancer research in Israel.

Babs Abrams of Montreal, president of ICRF Canada, one of the luncheon speakers, announced that ICRF Canada would this year be supporting 15 Fellowships and one Career Development award.

A total of 36 Fellowships and project grants, two Clinical Trial awards, and five Career Development awards were granted. A record number of 112 applicants submitted research proposals.

A senior Israeli researcher, Dr. Aaron Ciechanover, was the committee's unanimous choice to receive the ICRF's principal grant, a Career Development award. This is a opment award. This is a 5-year grant, of $25,000 per scientist to carry on promising research over an extended period into the causes and potential cures of cancer.

Dr. Mark Wainberg (centre) participates in a meeting of Israel Cancer Research Fund's scientific review panel.

Ciechanover will continue his studies into how the proteins produced by mammalian cells are disassembled once they are no longer needed. Before receiving the award, Ciechanover was the recipient of the ICRF's Melvin Brown Memorial Fellowship and a Fulbright Scholarship. He conducted post-doctoral research at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and is currently a senior lecturer in biochemistry on the faculty of medicine at the Technion in Haifa.

"Dr. Ciechanover has identified a crucial step in the metabolic pathway used by cells to break down proteins once their function has been completed," said Dr. Yashar Hirshaut, ICRF president and a member of the scientific review panel, adding:

"We are hopeful that this award will permit Dr. Ciechanover to develop more fully his already promising career in cancer research and anticipate that his work will add significantly to our knowledge of the regulation of cell growth."

Founded in 1976, the Israel Cancer Research Fund is a coalition of laymen, physicians and scientists committed to advancing cancer research and career opportunities for talented young cancer researchers in Israel. ICRF-funded scientists currently are engaged in studies at every major university, hospital and research institute in Israel.

Maccabiah's Luxenberg

In last week's CJN story on the athletes who will be representing Canada at the Maccabiah Games, Montrealer Debbie Luxenberg should have been included with the Canadian Maccabi swim team. Luxenberg, top-ranked swimmer, will be attending the Games for the second time.

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SCHNEIDER

Many surnames derive from the occupation of its original bearer. Butcher and Baker and Taylor are common examples in English.

A common vocation among Jews was tailoring, probably because it required a minimum of equipment.

As a result, the surname Schneider is of frequent incidence. Variations are Schneiderman, Sherman (from Sher — shears), Nadler (from Nadel) — needle), Rockmacher (from Rock — dress), Baender (from Band — ribbon), and Schleifer (from Schleif — bow).

The German word Schneider translates into the Russian as Portnoy and into the Polish as Kravitz, which have become familiar in Phillip Roth's Portnoy's Complaint and Mordecai Richler's Duddy Kravitz.

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KATZ

The surname Katz has no relationship to the feline species. It derives from the device of the acronym, which is popular in Jewish lore.

A familiar example of the acronym in English is the coined word LASER, which represents the first letters of the words — Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation.

Jews were fond of coining acronyms. A familiar example is found in the haggadah — the Passover service, which combines the first letters of the 10 plagues visited upon Pharaoh of Egypt when Moses and the Jews were driven out — DZACH — ADASH — B'AHAB.

Another familiar acronym is MACCABEE (Mi Kamocha B'eilim Adonai).

Katz is an acronym for Kohen Tzedek, the righteous priest, to denote a descendant of Aaron.

There are numerous acronymic surnames in Hebrew. One example is SCHATZ from Sheliach Tzibbur, the emissary of the congregation — the cantor who leads the worshippers in prayer.

Chile's govt. gets tough on anti-semitic incidents

SANTIAGO [JTA] —

A ranking member of Chile's military government has promised the Jewish community that every effort will be made to apprehend the persons responsible for a rash of anti-semitic incidents in recent months.

Gen. Rodolfo Paredes, director general of investigations, condemned the incidents and conveyed assurances that a determined effort would be undertaken to find the perpetrators, according to two Jewish community leaders with whom he met.

They are Isidoro Gorodischer and Jose Avayu, president and secretary respectively of the Representative Committee of Jewish Organizations in Chile, the Jewish community's umbrella organization and an affiliate of the World Jewish Congress.

Gorodischer and Avayu conveyed to Paredes their community's serious concern over the reappearance of anti-semitic pamphlets and advertisements in Chilean newspapers by the California-based Institute of Historical Review, a right-wing revisionist organization which claims the Holocaust was a Jewish hoax and never occurred.

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DIARY ...of a People

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Rabbi Shlomo ben Yitzhak died in his native Troyes, France, on July 13, 1105, at the age of 65. Better known by the acronym Rashi, he was one of Jewry's outstanding talmudic and biblical exegetes, whose commentaries are a basic part of cheder, yeshiva and kollel studies to this day. His commentary on the Chumash was the first dated Hebrew book printed in 1475.

The year of Rashi's birth coincided with the death of Europe's first outstanding Jewish scholar, Gershom ben Judah, the Meor ha-Golah (light of the Diaspora). Gershom's legal decisions and takkanot (regulations) accepted by the communities of Europe included bans on: polygamy; divorcing a woman without her consent; reading letters directed to others; and changing the wording of a book, by copyist or reader. Gershom's career marked the transfer of supreme contemporary rabbinic authority from Babylon to the West.

Rashi, the scion of a scholarly and prosperous family in the district of Champagne, was taught in his youth by his father and other former students of Rabbenu Gershom. In his 20s, Rashi journeyed to Mayence and Worms, then the seats of the great academies, where he learned and eventually taught for a number of years. He returned home a scholar unsurpassed in knowledge, piety and humility. Rashi's strong sense of duty, personal charisma and natural talent for oral and written explanation soon saw his small local house of study blossom into Europe's outstanding school.

Rashi devoted himself to explaining the two fundamental books of Jewish life, the Bible and the Talmud, whose complicated and sometimes obscure Hebrew and Aramaic passages were putting them rapidly beyond the reach of all but the most learned scholars. The continuing dispersion of Europe's Jews and the rising social turbulence across the continent that was to break out in the Crusades within Rashi's lifetime made a clear understanding of the basic texts critical to Judaism's survival.

Rashi wrote not to show how learned or clever he was but to guide the student, whether child or rabbi, through the texts' literal meaning, the pshat. Employing a clear terse Hebrew style augmented by direct translations into his native French (written out in Hebrew letters), he managed to scale the most perplexing of passages.

His explanation of the Chumash is spiced with parables, midrashic legends and homilies, making it an inspirational text in itself. A few examples:

• Leviticus 24: 20 speaks of monetary compensation, according to the sages, when requiring "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth." The fact that this and not direct physical retribution is meant, writes Rashi, lies in the verse's accompanying phrase, ". . . so shall it be put to him" (the offender). Putting implies that money is transferred from one hand to the other.

• In Deuteronomy 5:7, Moshe reminds the assembled Jews about to enter the Promised Land that God has commanded them "to have no other gods before Me." Adds Rashi: " 'Before Me' means in every place where I am, that is, the whole world . . . and all the time that I exist, that is, forever."

• Moshe continues, pointing out to them in Deuteronomy 8:4 that their "raiment waxed not old" upon them in their 40 years of wandering in the desert. "The accompanying clouds of glory were cleaning and scouring their clothes for them all the time, so that they looked brand new," comments Rashi. "Also, as their children grew their clothes would grow along with them, like the shell of a snail."

• In Deuteronomy 32:11-12 Moshe compares God's desert guardianship over the Jews to an eagle caring for her young. "As an eagle that stirs up her nest.. indicates God's mercy and kindness, writes Rashi, because an eagle beats her wings to alert her chicks of her approach so that they should be prepared to receive her. The eagle "hovers over her young," says the verse, because, says Rashi, "it does not put its full weight on them, but covers them without really touching them." The eagle "spreads her wings and takes them," says the verse. The eagle fears no other bird, only the arrows of man, explains Rashi, and that is why she carries her eaglets on her pinions and not below her in her claws, saying "it is better that the arrow pierce me and not my young."

Rashi's talmudic commentaries are replete with explanations of Aramaic phrases, relevant anecdotes, historical points, comparisons, and descriptions of Babylonian and Israeli customs, social life and even plants.

The script he used in his commentaries and in his copious responses is still favored in rabbinic writing and bears his name, a testimony to nearly a millenium of undiminished influence.

Quebec voting rights controversy

Protestants want case reheard

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — The Protestant school boards of Quebec have applied to the Supreme Court of Canada for a rehearing of the case which resulted in the Quebec government's passing the controversial Bill 29 in order that the confusion over voting rights be finally clarified.

Allan Hilton, one of the lawyers for the school boards in their recent successful challenge of Bill 3, told The Canadian Jewish News that Bill 29 still stands except for those sections amending Bill 3, which was deemed unconstitutional in that Quebec Superior Court case.

Those sections do not include the clause restricting voting in the Protestant and Catholic school boards of Montreal and Quebec City to persons of those respective faiths. (Bill 29, passed in June, primarily amends another piece of legislation, the Education Act, as well as Bill 57, an act respecting municipal taxation.)

The Quebec Association of Protestant School Boards and its four member boards from different parts of the province are asking the Supreme Court to specifically address the issue of whether or not its judgment on Bill 57, rendered last Dec. 20, restricts voting in Protestant school board elections for commissioners or tax referendums to Protestants, as the Quebec government maintains.

Hilton said the school boards will argue that it does not. "Bill 57 affects the taxing powers of the school boards. The Supreme Court decision had nothing to do with who can or cannot vote in school elections, as far as religion is concerned."

The judgment does refer to section 93 of the British North America (constitution) Act of 1867 which stipulates that no provincial legislature can pass any law which would "prejudicially affect any right or privilege with respect to the denominational schools which any class of persons have by law in the province at the union."

As applied to Quebec, this restraint meant that the provincial legislature could not tamper with the educational rights held by Protestants and Roman Catholics at the time of Confederation.

Bill 57, passed in 1979, was challenged by the same coalition of Protestant school boards all the way to the Supreme Court because they said it impaired their right to collect taxes. Part of their opposition was based on having to hold referendums if they impose tax rates higher than the limit prescribed by law which would be open to persons living outside their geographical territories.

Hilton said the Quebec government has two weeks to respond after the application for a Supreme Court rehearing, and then within the following two weeks, the school boards may counter-respond. The Supreme Court will any time after that make a decision on whether it will rehear the case. If the court decides in favor, the hearing will likely not take place until next year.

The striking down of Bill 3 has further complicated the situation as far as non-Christian voters are concerned. If the school boards had lost their case, the restrictions on voting according to religion would have effectively ceased in July, 1986, when Bill 3 was scheduled to have been fully implemented.

As things stand now, Bill 29 will apply to any school board elections in Montreal, according to Hilton, and as no linguistic boards will be created this September, the effects may be much more far-reaching than was ever envisioned.

The Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal postponed elections this June until December before the decision on Bill 3. The board has indicated this date may also be pushed back.

Bill 3, passed last December, would have replaced almost all of the denominational school boards, with language-based ones, except in small areas within the 1867 boundaries of Montreal and Quebec City where denominational schools are constitutionally protected. In linguistic boards, all citizens were to have equal rights in voting.

Justice Andre Brossard of Quebec Superior Court ruled June 25 that Bill 3 is unconstitutional and void. He also issued an injunction against implementation of the plan. Education minister Francois Gendron has announced that the Quebec government will appeal the judgment.

Brossard said the PSBGM and Montreal Catholic School Commission could not be limited to the 1867 boundaries of the two cities, rather the constitution allows for their jurisdictions to expand to as the cities grew. He further stated that Bill 3 does not sufficiently protect the constitutional right to set up schools based on a religion different from that of the majority.

(In 1928, the Privy Council in London ruled that, while the BNA Act does permit Protestants and Catholics to solely control their schools, there was nothing preventing Jews from forming their own public school boards.)

To illustrate just how complicated the question of constitutional protection of education is, Brossard called it a "skein impossible to unravel."

Canadian Jewish Congress has said it is considering filing a complaint against Bill 29 with the Quebec Human Rights Commission, if it is not amended. It believes the law is discriminatory on the basis of religion and is in direct contravention of the province's own Charter of Human Rights and Freedoms as well as the Canadian Bill of Rights.

Because Quebec did not sign the constitution in 1981, it contends that the federal rights charter does not apply in Quebec and every Quebec law carries a "notwithstanding" clause, although the Quebec Court of Appeal ruled last month against the government's routine overriding of the federal charter.

In any event, the federal charter upholds rights guaranteed to denominational schools in the BNA Act.

The Board of Jewish Ministers of Greater Montreal, an organization composed of most Montreal rabbis, has sent a telegram to Premier Rene Levesque expressing its concern over Bill 29. President Rabbi Ronald Aigen says the law represents a "dangerous precedent" in its infringement of human rights.

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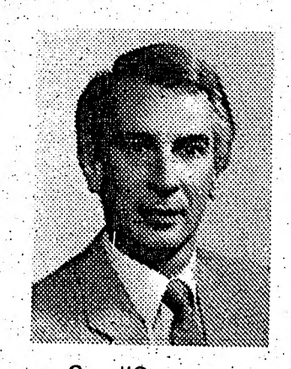
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Editorial

Terrorvision

We rejoice along with men of goodwill at the release of the 39 American hostages from their Beirut sequestration. What could have ended in catastrophe did not; President Reagan's restrained response saved the day as he utilized a number of subtle political leverage moves to extricate the hapless hostages.

The lives that were saved require our thanks.

The reporting of the hijacking and the subsequent transfer of the Americans to Beirut — do not.

The news media, in an incomprehensible rush to sensationalize a tragic event, succeeded in doing the following things:

- Elevated Nabih Berri, the spokesman for a group of thugs who use religion to justify terror, to the position of television superstar.
- Provided a platform for hijackers and other assorted crazies to publicize their demented versions of political happenings.
- Displayed American hostages in surrealistic press conferences in which spokesmen pontificated about the responsibility of Israel for their plight.
- Furnished opportunities for learned analysts to dissert on the grievances which animated the terrorist acts.

Of all the sins of the media, the latter is the most reprehensible. The suggestion that terrorist acts are a function of last resort is the major thesis of those who try so desparately to understand (and thereby to excuse) the mentality of the violent men who kill innocent airline passengers.

An editorial in The New Republic recently responded to this jaundiced view of things by pointing out that such reasoning is rubbish. Terror is a function of the first resort in Lebanon . . . not the last. That is the way people in the Arab Mideast carry out their political platforms.

Until the American media understand this, Mideast terrorists will continue their deadly fantasies.

Many questions

More than one commentator has already observed that the circumstances of Josef Mengele's post World War II survival are more interesting than the apparently authentic report of his death.

For almost 35 years the "angel of death" was able to cavort freely in several South American countries. The brutal doctor of Auschwitz, the man whose very life repudiated the Hippocratic oath, was protected not only by an international coterie of Nazi sympathizers but subsidized directly by family members.

In West Germany, in the wake of the news about Mengele's death, a number of newspapers and television outlets are featuring Mengele memorabilia which include a tape recording of the voice of the infamous SS officer.

This gist of the documentation in voice and print is that Mengele was unrepentant until his death about the legitimacy of his work at Auschwitz. Mengele justified his atrocities and diabolical activities on the basis of insane racist theories about the rights of certain groups to survive.

For "Dr." Mengele theories were not mere abstractions but warrants to perpetrate the most heinous crime in the annals of history as he presided over the selection of those who lived and those who would die in the inferno which he helped to create and administer.

Almost as shocking as the record of his life as a Nazi is the story of his escape from Europe at the end of the World War II. Mengele was one of the many Nazis who was assisted in fleeing from the Allies by a network of sympathizers drawn from disaparate elements, including — church groups.

As Elie Wiesel has poignantly observed (CJN June 20) Mengele and his ilk received far more help than the victims they consigned to the death chambers.

As the file closes on the Mengele case there are as many questions still to be answered as there were before the news of his death was revealed.

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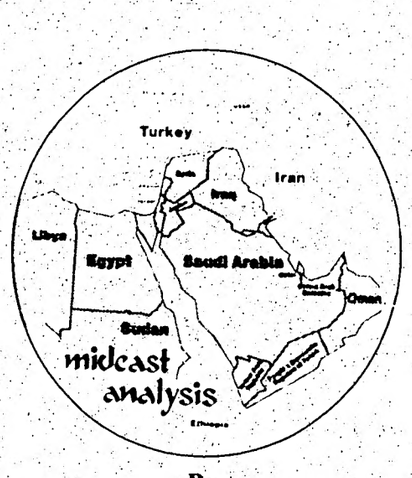
Aftermath of Lebanon war

Syria emerges as the winner



By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Lebanese Christian women mourn over the bodies of two young Christians who were killed in fighting. Since Israel's 1982 invasion, the Christians of Lebanon have lost ground. [IPPA photo]

If a cost analysis of the war in Lebanon were to be carried out, pundits would not have much trouble tallying up the benefits and the losses.

Three years after Israel's invasion, the picture looks something like this:

- Israel, though militarily still the predominant regional power, has been chastened by what Israeli analyst Ze'ev Schiff describes as its "dismal and bloody adventure."
- Syria, having been beaten on the battlefield by Israel, has outlasted Israel and emerged as the chief arbiter of Lebanese politics.
- The Christians of Lebanon have witnessed the diminution their powers, and, having distanced themselves from Israel, have grudgingly accepted Syrian suzerainty.
- Long Lebanon's downtrodden masses, the Shiites, the largest ethnic group in the country, have emerged stronger but not necessarily more united.
- The Druze have made dramatic military and geographical gains, almost entirely at the expense of the Christians, their traditional enemies.
- The Palestinians, who created a state-within-a-state in Lebanon prior to 1982, have suffered a series of grievous setbacks.
- Like the Palestinians, the Sunnis — the mainstream Moslem group in the Middle East — have been beaten back in Lebanon.

For Israel, the war was probably the most divisive event in its brief history. But it also had a maturing effect on many Israelis and Jews in the Diaspora who had been under the illusion that military power could achieve sweeping political goals. One of the spinoffs of the war is that Diaspora Jewry is less reticent to criticize aspects of Israeli policy which appear shortsighted.

In the wake of Operation Peace for Galilee — which Menachem Begin described as a "war of choice" — Israel's situation in relation to Lebanon has deteriorated. It has less influence in Beirut than before, the border is far from secure, (the buffer zone notwithstanding), the Christians have drifted closer to Syria and a new enemy in the guise of the Shiites has been created. Syria, Israel's rival, has almost doubled its forces and now has the theoretical capability of striking deep into Israel.

At a cost of 654 dead, Israel has destroyed the PLO's infrastructure in southern Lebanon. This is no mean achievement for a nation at war with the PLO. However, the PLO, divided and torn by dissension as it is, remains a political force in the Middle East with which Israel may eventually have to deal if a lasting settlement is to be achieved in the area. The peace proposals which have been proffered by the U.S. and the Arabs since 1982 reflect the reality that a solution, if not actually in sight, is desirable.

In the foreseeable future, Israel is less likely to commit itself to unrealistic military solutions, whether in Lebanon or elsewhere. Israel seems to have entered a period of introspection and retrenchment, much as the U.S. did after the folly of Vietnam.

Syria, which took a beating at the hands of Israel in air and land combat, has established a Pax Syriana in Lebanon.

The Syrians, who've always regarded Lebanon as their special sphere of influence, do not appear interested in annexing it. But they do want to control Lebanon, which they view as part of historical Syria.

Syria faces a daunting task in its self-appointed bid to pacify Lebanon, a cauldron of violence and mutual hatreds. Syria is not backing any particular ethnic or religious faction and is therefore not making the same mistake as Israel or the U.S. in having supported the Christians. In Lebanon, to be seen as being an ally of one group is to become the enemy of the other.

Practicing the cynical art of Realpolitik to its infinite degree, Syria professes to be a friend of all in Lebanon, including the Christians. Syria's strategy is to let the various factions bash each other over the head until, in desperation, they turn to Damascus for help. Thus, Syria has alternately armed and supported the Christians, Palestinians, Druze, Sunnis and Shiites. Last month, for example, the Syrians neatly arranged a ceasefire between the Palestinians and the Shiites after backing both sides at one time or other.

The danger, of course, is that Syria may overplay its hand and offend all the players in the Lebanese tragedy. But Syria is not likely to fall into that trap as long as they are constantly at each others' throats.

By carefully balancing the divergent forces in Lebanon, Syria forces them all to be beholden to Syrian goodwill. Fraught with numerous pitfalls, it is a highwire act that Israel, objectively, simply could not perform in an Arab environment full of animosities.

Lebanon's Christians have been humbled in the past several years. The Israeli connection has not panned out, and the Lebanese Forces, the Christian Maronite militia headed by the late Bashir Gemayel, has closed its office in Jeruasalem, thereby closing an era. Amin Gemayel, the Maronite president, is a Syrian puppet who has no hold on the country.

Since 1983, the Christians have lost ground. Two years ago, they were driven out of the Shouf Mountains by the ascendant Druze. Following Israel's withdrawal from Sidon, they were dealt a shattering defeat by Palestinians and Shiites. Virtually the only terrritory they possess is in the mountains north and east of Beirut, and in southern Lebanon near the Israeli frontier.

It is likely that the besieged Christian community will lose some of its political privileges in the near future. The collapse of the recent rebellion mounted against Amin Gemayel's authority by the head of the Lebanese Forces, Samir Geagea, was but one omen of the way the wind is blowing these days. Geagea's successor, Elie Hobeika, effectively threw himself at the mercy of the Syrians by declaring, "We are convinced that the Lebanese orientation today is an Arab one. Syria has a leading role in this orientation..."

By making this abject declaration, he served notice to the Syrians that he and like-minded Christians would fall into line in the restructuring of Lebanon's shaky political system, a prospect that fills some Christians with absolute dread. Certainly, they must have been sobering words for the man who led Christian fighters into the Sabra and Shatila refugee camps in September of 1982 and who incessantly railed against Syria.

Unlike the Christians, the Shiites are on the ascendancy. Amal, the mainline Shiite militia headed by Justice Minister Nabih Berri, has become a formidable organization in just a few short years. Backed by Syria, the Shiites — and the Druze — took control of West Beirut in February of 1984 and consolidated their grip on southern Lebanon after clashing with the Israeli army.

With the Israelis having all but withdrawn from Lebanon, the Shiites turned on the Palestinians living near Beirut. Despite these victories, deep divisions rent the Shiites. As the TWA hijacking illustrated, the Shiite community is split between relative moderates representing Amal and pro-Iranian Islamic militants from groups like the Party of God.

Like the Shiites, the Druze have made spectacular headway under the leadership of Walid Jumblatt. Due to a series of events set in motion by Israel's occupation, the Druze have brought the Shouf Mountains under their authority and wrested an outlet to the sea, Jiyyeh, from the Christians.

Both the Palestinians and the Sunnis, who were on the same side after the outbreak of the second civil war in 1975, have absorbed stunning defeats since 1982.

The Palestinians have been cut down to size by Israel, Syria and the Shiites, and by internecine feuding instigated by the Syrians. But by dint of their numbers, their connections and their determination, they remain an important factor in Lebanese politics.

The Sunnis, having succumbed to the Shiites in their West Beirut stronghold, are weaker than ever. But, like the Palestinians, they are part of the Lebanese political equation.

Opinion

Religious intolerance threatens Jewish unity

Orthodoxy must show signs of ending isolationism

By
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When Prof. Irving Greenberg, the president of the National Jewish Resource Centre in New York, speaks, the Jewish world must listen. For he is today the most articulate and persuasive advocate of Jewish unity.

His latest contribution, "Will There Be One Jewish People By The Year 2000?" (published in June by the centre), includes this startling conclusion: "In the past, anti-semites built their plans on the expectation and hope that the Jews will disappear. We have come to a tragic situation where good and committed Jews are predicating their survival strategies on the disappearance of other Jews" [CJN June 20].

The shocking prognosis that we may now be doing to each other what the anti-semites have been doing to us for a long time is based on Greenberg's analysis of American Jewry. He asserts that the Reform, Conservative and Orthodox movements each seek to promote their own cause at the expense of the others, with little regard for the long-term consequences for Judaism as a whole.

The major antagonists in the United States are Reform and Orthodoxy, with Conservative Judaism finding itself increasingly in the camp of the former, especially on the "Who is a Jew?" issue, ostensibly in response to Orthodox intransigence and its inability to face the problems of emancipated Diaspora Jewry. Reform rabbis and lay leaders appear to have taken halacha into their own hands.

By performing conversions that do not fulfil the requirements of Jewish law, and by giving equal status to children whether only the mother or only the father are Jews, Reform stands accused of making it increasingly impossible for Orthodox Jews to marry outside their own communities, thus creating a permanent split in Jewry.

Greenberg makes the ominous prediction that, within the next couple of decades, some 20% of American Jewry will not be considered fit to marry Orthodox Jews. In the face of this danger, he pleads for unity:

"Theologically, the separation of the Jewish people is an outrage. We live after the Holocaust and the rebirth of Israel. Clearly, the overwhelming message of those two events is the unity of the Jewish people . . . There were no distinctions in the gas chambers. To elevate the distinction between Jews to absolute status is to deny the truth that all Jews carry the fate of the covenant, or run the risks of suffering for it. All Jews are God's witnesses."

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Although Greenberg's prognosis is hardly relevant in Canada, where virtually all Reform conversions are performed according to Jewish law and where there is much greater stress on the get (the religious bill of divorce), the problem cannot be ignored here either.

Toronto offers an apt illustration. Despite the fact that the Reform rabbinate is at pains to preserve Jewish unity — or perhaps because of it — Orthodox intransigence appears to be no less resolute than elsewhere.

I have previously made public comments on the growth of Orthodoxy in Canada and on the well-orchestrated campaign by the Lubavitch movement to manipulate the Knesset to amend the Law of Return in order to disenfranchise non-Orthodox rabbis. My aim has been, in the first case, to alert fellow Reform Jews to the need to offer an authentic alternative and, in the second instance, to urge non-Orthodox Jews not to support any organizations that seeks to delegitimize them.

This, however, should in no way be understood as a refusal to cooperate. Only when Reform Jews know what they are and only when Orthodox Jews will meet them as equal partners can the search for unity be pursued with honesty and integrity.

It is from this perspective that I respond, with respect and enthusiasm, to Greenberg's call. Whether his figures are accurate or not, and whether the crisis will come within the next two decades or later, is irrelevant. His basic contention is unassailable and we must all take note.

The way we call each other names is an apt illustration of the crisis. For an Orthodox Jew to described as "Reform" or "Conservative" is equivalent to being labelled "bourgeois cosmopolitan Zionist" in Soviet Russia. To be known as "Orthodox" or "Conservative" in Reform circles is to be designated a heretic. And one of the major problems of Conservative Judaism today is its quest for identity: if it looks "right," it is identified as Orthodox; if it turns "left," it becomes Reform — and both terms are used as anti-symbols.

The time has come to recognize that the adjectives Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, Reconstructionist are *political* terms, more indicative of institutional affiliation than of religious conviction. I happen to be a Jew who believes that the best way to express my Judaism is in the context of Reform, but I know that it is not the only way.

I wrote a book shortly before coming to Canada in which I tried to analyze the theological limitations of "adjectival Judaism." Nothing of what I have seen during my two years in North America has made me change my views.

I am stating this in order to encourage, nay challenge, others — notably "mainstream" Orthodox and Conservative rabbis — to make similar declarations of both allegiance to their own and tolerance of others, so that a basis for closer cooperation on *religious* matters could be established.

The cooperation in communal matters that already exists is commendable and should be continuously reaffirmed, but political action is inadequate to meet the problems that Greenberg articulates.

It is religious intolerance that threatens the unity of the Jewish people. There is nothing wrong in polemics and arguments about ideas, but there is everything wrong with actions that may jeopardize our survival. Reform rabbis in Canada have gone a long way towards avoiding the split that Irving Greenberg predicts. The next move must come from Orthodoxy.

Even modest signs that Orthodox isolationsim is being abandoned would lead to further moves of cooperation by Reform. The same considerations that necessitate territorial sacrifices for the sake of peace for the Jewish state compel us to make institutional sacrifices for the sake of peace for the Jewish people. In both cases survival is at stake; we must act responsibly.

A new Midrash, paraphrasing an old one, is called for: When, in the fullness of time, the Jew appears before the Holy One Blessed Be He, he, or she, will not be asked, "Did you attend many meetings? Did you collect much money? Did you rise to high office?" All they will want to know is, "Did you work for the continuity and survival of your people?"

We must make sure that our answer will be in the affirmative: Irving Greenberg helps us to formulate it and act on it.

Must be faced realistically

Illiteracy problem touches everyone

By
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One out of every four Canadians is functionally illiterate. Isn't this hard to believe after a century of access to free education and in one of the richest and most fortunate countries in the world?

To put it another way, about 25% of adult Canadians have not attained a grade 9 education — the minimum level to be considered literate, according to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Multitudes of Canadians are excluded from the democratic process and the basic concerns of a print society. In Toronto the figure comes to 350,000.

Consider this: not long ago a high school graduate on Long Island, NY, sued the local school system because he couldn't read above 3rd grade level. In a revealing experiment a group of 17-year-olds were shown a traffic ticket and more than half could not figure out the last day on which the fine could be paid. The American Navy reported that $250,000 damage was done to a diesel engine because a sailor working on it could not read the maintenance manual.

Our future on this continent depends upon a vast majority of North Americans being able to communicate effectively — to be able to read and write and above all, to think and form conclusions based upon reason and knowledge.

A dedicated 2nd grade teacher told me that she can sense when a child begins "to tune me out when I talk about reading and writing." At home the child has probably never seen his or her parents sitting down and quietly reading a book or a magazine or a newspaper. This does not mean that the parents are stupid or uncultured or uninterested in current affairs. It may merely mean it is not at all essential that they read anything. They get their news, such as it is, from the television or the radio. The limits of their reading, or following any kind of words on a printed page, may be the perusal of their junk mail.

There is magic in good literature — but how many adults take the time to sit down quietly for the single purpose of reading a book? Reading has become a challenge to physical as well as mental discipline. There are few places in the typical modern house for reading or for solitary reflection. Furniture is arranged to face the tube or around the stereo speakers.

The Industrial Age was the first historical juncture offering humankind the possibility of mass literacy. The medieval individual was prepared to listen but not to read. Even during Shakespeare's time only one-third to a half of London's population was literate. In the countryside literacy rates were woefully lower. Not until late in the 19th century did the printed word directly involve the masses in industrialized societies.

Needless to say, the children of such illiterates gradually gained some measure of literacy. Decreasing printing costs made books common and cheap. The development of affordable, efficient lighting, coupled with the shorter working day, also gave people opportunities to read. The extension of libraries, compulsory schooling, child labor laws, increases in real wages, and other factors associated with the Industrial Age made the printed word less intimidating and more accessible.

Today, literacy is normative in societies like ours. It is the fundamental "badge of ability and dignity," it is the basic presupposition of the so-called credential society. It underlies the democratic process and the ability of the citizen to intelligently choose a candidate to represent him.

Literacy has always been a supreme value in Judaism. Even during the Dark Ages when the ability to read was confined to a small number of individuals, largely the clergy, the illiterate Jew was a contradiction in terms. Every boy who became a bar mitzvah could read from the prayer book and the Bible. Education was well nigh universal for Jews wherever they lived and were able to establish schools. Ofren, unhappily, this was not true for girls and women who remained unlettered and were content to fulfil themselves as mothers and homemakers.

Centuries before the modern idea of adult educaton evolved, a surprising number of Jews regarded it a religious duty to come together for study every morning before the work of the day began, and every evening when their labors were concluded.

From earliest times Jews have been book-conscious. Even in the ghetto, the Jew, no matter how humble his circumstances, was likely to have his modest library. For his neighbors the book may have represented an object of mystery or distrust, but for him it was a sheer necessity of life.

There is no other people whose religious calendar includes a festival like Simchat Torah — rejoicing over the book. In modern Israel more books are published and read, in proportion, than anywhere else on earth. Jerusalem possesses untold millions of volumes and quantities of ancient books, manuscripts, microfilms and special collections that are unequalled anywhere. The Book of Judges speaks of a town in Judah which was called Kiryat Sefer, the Book Town. Jerusalem is indeed the Kiryat Sefer of our time.

The problem of illiteracy is tremendous. In one way, or another, it touches everyone. It must be faced realistically by government, local communities and concerned individuals.

How incalculably precious is the change in an illiterate individual from shame to pride, from fear and inadequacy to courageous affirmation.

Perhaps the entire situation is best epitomized in these words by Leon Gutterman: "Without the love of books the richest man is poor; but endowed with this treasure of treasures, the poorest man is rich. He has wealth which no power can diminish; riches which are always increasing; possessions which the more he scatters the more they accumulate; friends which never desert him and pleasures which never die."

SPECIAL HONOR

Zayneba Hardaga Suschits of Yugoslavia, at a ceremony at Yad Vashem's Hall of Remembrance. She is the first Moslem to be invited to plant a tree in the Avenue of Righteous Gentiles. She and her late husband Mustafa and her father Ahmed Sadik were honored for rescuing Jews during the Holocaust. [Photo by Scoop 80. JTA/World Zionist News Photo]

Opinion

Continent still crawls with Nazis

Josef Mengele found South America warm haven

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Daniel Munoz, a Brazilian anthropologist, cradled a worn skull in his hands. The skull was reportedly that of a person who had been the object of one of the greatest manhunts in history. The news was flashed to the world: Josef Mengele, the Nazi mass murderer, was really dead.

The blackened skeleton was exhumed on June 6 in a cemetery in Embu, a suburb of Sao Paulo. Brazilian, American and West German forensic scientists who examined it announced that the bones were indeed that of Mengele. Handwriting experts who studied his notebooks and diaries said they were convinced they had been written by Mengele. The Simon Wiesenthal Center for Holocaust Studies accepted their collective findings, and U.S. Attorney-General Edwin Meese did so as well.

Of course, there was initial skepticism that these were indeed the remains of Mengele, the Angel of Death who performed gruesome and sadistic pseudo-scientific medical experiments and sent some 400,000 Jews to their deaths in Auschwitz.

Simon Wiesenthal, the noted Nazi hunter, said he was sure the skeleton was not that of Mengele. And Menachem Russak, the head of the Israeli police division that investigates Nazi crimes, also expressed doubt.

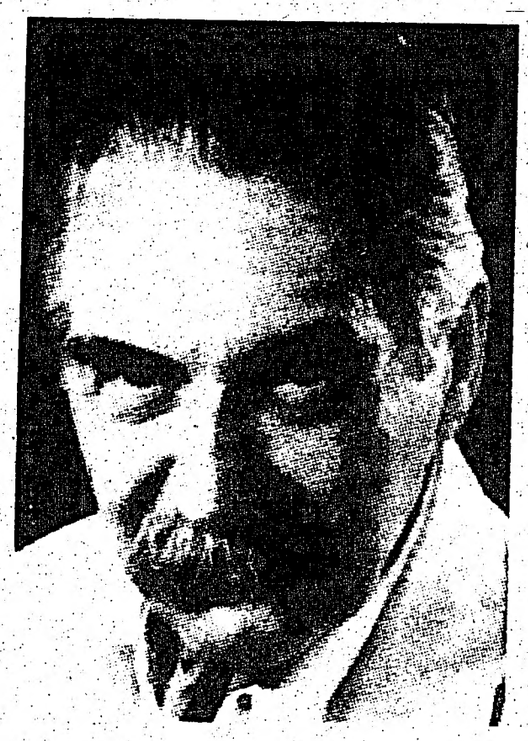
It was not hard to understand their disbelief. Mengele, who committed his crimes against humanity in 1943 and 1944, had been sighted in several countries since the end of the war but had somehow eluded the dragnet. As late as May of this year, Beate Klarsfeld, the Paris-based Nazi hunter, had gone to Paraguay to demand Mengele's arrest and extradition. Mengele had been granted Paraguayan citizenship in 1959 and had lived in that poor, landlocked country before vanishing. Like virtually every investigator, Klarsfeld was certain that he was still in Paraguay. "If you think logically, there is no where else that he could be," she explained.

Unbeknown to people like Klarsfeld and Wiesenthal, Mengele lived — and died — in Brazil. Mengele arrived in that South American country in 1961 and drowned on a beach there on Feb. 7, 1979.

Although the Israeli government has drawn no firm conclusions as yet, and though former Mossad chief Isser Harel insists that Mengele is alive, the consensus of opinion now is that he is dead.

For some people, particularly Jews who were the objects of his grisly experiments, this is difficult to swallow. They had hoped — and perhaps still do — that Mengele would be caught alive and put on trial to answer for his crimes, much like Adolf Eichmann had been.

Mengele as a young man



Mengele as he looked in Brazil.

It appears, however, that they will be disappointed. All the scientific evidence currently available rules out the possibility of a hoax designed to cloud the issue. "I came here not knowing whether it was or wasn't Josef Mengele," said Dr. John Fitzpatrick, acting chairman of the radiology department of Cook County Hospital in Chicago and a forensic radiologist selected as an independent expert by the Simon Wiesenthal Center. "I go home fully convinced that it was Mengele."

David Crown, a handwriting expert formerly associated with the Central Intelligence Agency, was even blunter. "If we had any doubt, we would have expressed it," he said. "We made independent examinations and then compared our results... It's a definite identification. We're staking our reputations on it."

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How, after so many years, were the police able to solve the mystery of Josef Mengele?

Hans Sedlmeier, an employee of the Mengele family farm machinery plant in West Germany, was overheard by a university professor boasting that he had sent Josef Mengele money over the years. Shortly afterwards, a Paraguayan newspaper carried a story claiming that Mengele had died in a drowning accident in Brazil.

On May 31, the West German criminal police, with a tip and a search warrant in hand, raided Sedlmeier's house in the Bavarian town of Gunzburg and found photocopies of letters written by Mengele and telephone numbers which would lead them to Brazil. In 1971, Sedlmeier had been questioned under oath by a Frankfurt prosecutor interested in the Mengele case. Yet, strangely enough, his house had not been searched.

The long and short of it is that Brazilian police, armed with information supplied by West Germany, found two couples that had hidden and known Mengele all these years. From 1961 until about 1970, Mengele lived with Geza and Gitta Stammer, who were farmers of Hungarian origin. (Incredibly, Simon Wiesenthal claimed that Gitta Stammer was Jewish, an assertion he later withdrew). For the last nine years of his life, Mengele lived alone and became very friendly with the Austrians Wolfram and Liselotte Bossert. Previously, he had resided in West Germany and Paraguay and Argentina, having reached South America via Italy. Mengele was introduced to the Stammers and the Bosserts by Wolfgang Gerhard, an Austrian of pronounced Nazi sympathies who died in 1978.

Gerhard, who had been living in Brazil since 1952, introduced his friend as Peter Hochbichlet, a Swiss. He persuaded the Stammers to let "Peter" manage their farm in the German colony of Nova Europa, 320 kilometres northwest of Sao Paulo, Brazil's largest city.

At first, the Stammers did not know Mengele's real identity. But later, when Gitta Stammer confronted Mengele with a photograph that bore some resemblance to him, he confessed.

The Stammers did not betray Mengele, probably because Gerhard threatened them.

In the years which followed, Mengele, who was also known as "Pedro," moved with the Stammers to two other farms.

In 1959, he traveled to West Germany to attend the funeral of his father. In the 1960s, Hans Sedlmeier visited Mengele in Brazil for the purpose of giving him funds. After that, he received regular payments from the wealthy Mengeles in West Germany. In 1977, Mengele's son, Rolf, visited him and was taken aback by the wretched conditions of his life.

Around 1970, Mengele was introduced to the Bosserts as Peter Gerhard, an Austrian widower with a questionable political past. They apparently developed so close a friendship that Mengele revealed all his secrets to the Bosserts. Despite his connection to the Bosserts, Mengele continued his association with the Stammers, living in their stucco home in Sao Paulo until his drowning.

According to the testimony they have given so far, Mengele led a reclusive life in Brazil, spending many of his days alone. He never discussed politics in public, but he had strong views. Gitta Stammer says she heard him say Jews were working against Germany and were a foreign group the Germans wanted out of the country. Mengele's diaries published recently by two West German magazines disclose his unrepentance at the atrocities he committed in Auschwitz.

Neighbors who knew him as "Pedro" portray Mengele as a cultivated, somewhat charming and authoritarian figure who tended to sick animals, enjoyed watching Disneyland on television and liked to carve wooden toys for children.

Dr. Leslie Lukash, an American medical examiner who examined Mengele's remains, said he was a "tired old man" who had lived a "paranoid existence."

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It is not at all surprising that Mengele found a refuge in South America.

After World War II, Juan Peron, the Argentine president, welcomed escaping Nazis. Alfredo Stroessner, the Paraguayan dictator, opened the gates to these fugitives as well.

Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay have large German colonies, and no doubt Mengele was received warmly by some of these transplanted Germans.

Brazil in particular, has sheltered some of the most notorious Nazis. Herbert Cukurs, a Lithuanian Nazi accused of supervising the killing of 30,000 Jews in Riga, lived in Sao Paulo in the 1950s. He died under mysterious circumstances, allegedly at the hands of Israeli agents. Franz Stangl, who was responsible for the deaths of some 600,000 Jews in Treblinka and Sobibor, was extradited to West Germany and was sentenced to life imprisonment in 1970. He died of a heart attack behind bars. Gustav Franz Wagner, the Beast of Sobibor, evaded extradition requests by West Germany, Poland, Israel and Austria, but he committed suicide in 1980.

The presence of such high-ranking Nazis in Brazil raises at least one salient question: How were they able to shield themselves in the face of numerous attempts by various countries to track them down and bring them to justice?

Romeu Tuma, the federal police chief in Sao Paulo, has said that "an international network to protect Nazis" may have aided Nazis like Mengele and Wagner.

Since South America still crawls with Nazis, important ones and unimportant ones, the probability is that such a network still exists. Josef Mengele took advantage of it for nearly 20 years, and lesser-known Nazis probably continue to live under its baleful protection right to this very day.

Brazilian anthropologist holds skull of Josef Mengele following scientific confirmation that it is part of the remains of the Nazi mass killer. [AP photo]

"Rise in violence and terror" threat to UK Jews, minorities

NEW YORK —

Jews, West Indians and Asians are the targets of a "rise in violence and terror" launched by the extremist right and left in the United Kingdom, according to a leader of the British Jewish community.

Martin Savitt, vice-president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews located in London, said that the violence is part of an international wave of violence "designed to disrupt and destroy our democratic societies."

Savitt recently addressed some 400 leaders of the American Jewish community at a session of the National Commission meeting of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. He said that over 15 attacks against Jewish individuals and property are reported in Great Britain each month involving synagogue vandalizations, cemetery desecrations, obscene and hoax telephone calls, graffitti, thefts and arson as well as personal assaults.

Declaring that "the fascist left is no less racist than the fascist right," Savitt said "charges of Zionist collaboration with the Nazis is the theme of the extreme left while denial of the Holocaust is the theme of the extreme right."

He further noted a propaganda hate campaign including republishing and distributing Mein Kampf, The Protocols of the Elders of Zion and "forged letters purporting to come from the Board of Deputies of British Jews, the Jewish Ex-Servicemen's Association and a non-existent Holocaust Revisionist Committee" which deny that the Holocaust happened.

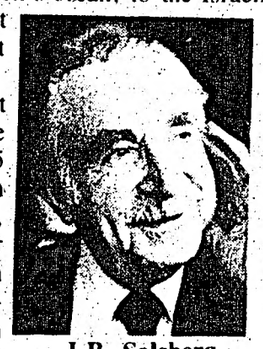
In addition, Savitt said Jewish students in universities are being subjected "to abuse and harassment and denied ordinary student facilities to associate and debate freely." He cited as an example the refusal by the Student Union of the Polytechnic in Sunderland, a town in northern England, to ratify the constitution of the Jewish Students' Society on the grounds that "Zionism is racism."

He also charged that there is "a terrible and ominous threat" in the outcry by neo-Nazis and neo-fascists in several European countries for repatriation of immigrants. He described repatriation as "basic racism involving forcible deportation and loss of citizenship and human dignity." He added that repatriation would lead inevitably to the establishment of camps for deportees, "a reenactment, in another form, of a final solution."

Opinion

Israel has welcome change of attitude to Yiddish

By
J. B. SALSBERG



J.B. Salsberg

And so, my highly esteemed readers, we return, after last week's break, to the Israeli scene . . . as I saw it during my recent visit.

Let us recall the fact that the immediate reason for my 1985 journey to the Jewish state was to attend, together with other Canadian activists in the vineyard of Yiddish, the 4th session of the World Council for Yiddish and Yiddish Culture that is headquartered in Israel. I shall, therefore, now focus on that conference that was piloted by the meritorious and indefatigable Yitzchak Korn, its president.

Israel, as everyone knows, is currently beset by many worrisome problems that tax the nerves and the ingenuity of its people and, even more so, of its government. But, to my great satisfaction, I found that in the area of Yiddish, Israeli society is definitely in an upbeat mood.

The younger generation of our readers may not be aware of the unhappy, early experiences of Yiddish during the first two decades of the present century, when Yiddish was fought bitterly in Eretz Yisroel by the "Hebrewists." It was a time when Yiddish-speaking meetings were physically broken up by Hebrewist zealots and when the few Yiddish writers among the pioneering chalutzim were treated like pariahs by the Hebrew writers.

Some of the Canadians who attended conference of World Council for Yiddish in Israel.

It was a time when Chaim Nachman Bialik, the then recognized "national Jewish poet" (who, by the way, also wrote beautiful poetry in Yiddish) settled in Palestine. He shocked a Hebrewist zealot, who visited the great writer in his home, and heard him speak Yiddish. The zealot vocalized his unhappy discovery by asking the revered writer why he spoke in Yiddish. Bialik gained additional renown from the classic reply he gave to his narrow-minded questioner. Bialik's authentic reply was: "Of course I speak Hebrew but Yiddish speaks by itself" (Yiddish redt zich alein).

Well, my friends, many sweet as well as bitter rivers of water flowed over our Jewish dams since then. Ancient centres of Jewish culture — in both languages — (yes, and also in the Ladino language) were plundered, uprooted and diabolically, inhumanely massacred. But new Jewish centres of culture and learning emerged around the world and, of supreme significance, Jewish statehood was also achieved.

In this most important of all new centres, in Israel, despite some halting experiences in the first years of the reborn Jewish state, Yiddish has not only regained its due legitimacy as a Jewish language, that the majority of pre-Holocaust Jewry spoke and created in, but it is now receiving the official benediction of the Jewish state and has become the recipient of practical assistance from some of Israel's state organs.

I have never felt this meaningful change more palpably expressed than I experienced a few short weeks ago when I attended the 4th session of the World Council for Yiddish in Israel.

This welcome change would not have occurred without the beneficient efforts of the World Council for Yiddish and the special place that is president, Yitzchak Korn, had and continues to hold in Israel's public life throughout the existence of that country and his long-standing personal involvement in the cultural and social life of the major Jewish communities around the world.

It was, indeed, a stimulating and encouraging experience for me to be among the approximate 250 delegates from 15 countries who assembled for the conference. We came from practically every continent where sizeable Jewish communities exist. There were also representatives from two countries of the Soviet zone — Romania and Poland — but, sad to record, no one from the Soviet Union, where some 2 million Jews, the heirs to a once great Jewish cultural community, still live but were prevented from attending. Canada, I'm pleased to say, was represented by no less than 30 delegates.

The business sessions of the conference aside, it was encouraging and meaningful to have the President of Israel address the opening session in Yiddish. So did the mayor of Tel Aviv and so did the head of the World Zionist Organization and head of the Jewish Agency. They were joined by the head of the Israeli Scientific Academy, by the Chief Rabbi of Romania and by the head of the Yiddish Writers Association of Israel. All spoke not only appreciatively of Yiddish but also **in** Yiddish.

One felt like offering the traditional thanksgiving — a shecheanu — (even in Hebrew) for having witnessed and experienced the occasion.

(With more about Yiddish in Israel next week we hope to conclude this series of our latest visit to Israel.)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address and handwritten signatures.

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RED HAIR A RACE BIAS?

Mark Dodick's June 20 article headed "Only legislation will defeat race bias in hiring, forum told" brought to mind several experiences I had due to job discrimination.

As far as I know, there is already legislation, and also the Human Rights Commission, which did absolutely nothing constructive for me.

The only way to eradicate bias against minorities is the education of our young, that everyone is equal and entitled to a life of peace and tranquility regardless of color or religion.

If I don't want to hire someone with flaming red hair, there is nothing anyone can do about it!

Paula Feigelsohn
Toronto

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PENSIONER DEFENDS MIKE WILSON

Our minister of finance, Mike Wilson, received a lot of undeserved criticism from the media and much of the public.

I am a pensioner 71 years old, and I can remember the years of 1982 and 1983. Inflation then was 12%, and the Liberal government passed the 6 and 5 program.

For two years my OAS went down by 6 and 7%. There was no big outcry about us poor pensioners suffering a drop in our income then.

Why is a projected 3% drop in 1986, worse than a 6% drop in 1982 and 1983?

I would like to hear from other pensioners who lived through that experience.

George Barrett
Toronto

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WHY DROP HEBREW COLUMN?

This letter is long overdue.

I have been in the habit of reading Joseph Klinger's Hebrew column in your paper since it first appeared and can't understand why it was discontinued.

With so many ulpanim so widely attended at many centres in Toronto which teach all levels of Hebrew, with so many students graduating from our Hebrew day schools every year, and with others, like myself, able to understand much of the articles printed, it serves the community well to have the only Jewish weekly run a weekly column in Hebrew.

Please reinstate it.

Rose Ehrenworth
Toronto

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HARPAZ BIDS SHALOM

All good things come to an end and so must my term of duty in Canada.

On July 31, I will be terminating four years of service as the director for Canada of the Israel Government Tourist Office and heading back to Jerusalem to assume a position in the ministry of tourism there.

Looking back on the past four years to August, 1981, when I arrived in Toronto, I can see considerable changes for the better in the content and volume of travel to Israel.

Numerous achievements were gained in these four years. To some of these achievements I can lay a personal claim. But to all of them the full credit goes to you for the help and cooperation I received from you — a help without which nothing much would have been achieved.

We would certainly not have reached a situation of more than 40% increase of the Canadian travel to Israel in the first quarter of 1985.

I'm leaving Canada content and optimistic. The present situation looks good, and so does the future.

I'm certain that my successor, Abraham Drori, a veteran in our office, will be a great asset to our cause, and I do hope that your cooperation will continue with him and be as good and as willing as you were with me.

Shalom.

Jonathan Harpaz
Toronto

Jonathan Harpaz, Israel's tourism director in Canada, bids fond farewell.

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OUR LOSS, ISRAEL'S GAIN

In your June 20 edition, there is an article outlining the positive contributions made by Kurt Weinberg, of the Jewish National Fund to the Jewish community.

It is my feeling that one very important factor was omitted in this article — Kurt decided on an early retirement in order to make aliya, thus fulfilling a life-long dream.

Both Israel and Kurt will be richer as a result of this decision.

Harry Wolle
Israel Aliyah Centre
Toronto

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IT'S OUR 3rd-RANKING KILLER

I am writing in regard to the article on diabetes research in your recent series on "Israeli research progresses." It reflects the sort of good news which makes one proud.

However, I thought that since your readers live in Canada, they would be interested in knowing that diabetes research is also progressing rapidly here, where of course artificial insulin was discovered (in Toronto) by Drs. Banting and Best.

As you pointed out in your article, about 20% of all people with diabetes are dependent on insulin. But, insulin is a control, not a cure. The other 80% with diabetes depend upon diet, exercise and medication.

In all, it is estimated that 1 million Canadians have diabetes, of whom as many as 50% may not even be aware of having the disease.

Complications from diabetes make it the 3rd-ranking killer disease of Canadians. It can lead to blindness, heart attacks and strokes, circulatory failure and amputation, and kidney problems.

Symptoms include excessive thirst, frequent urination, increased appetite, excessive weight loss, tiredness, blurred vision, excessive itching, numbness in the extremities and slow healing of cuts and scratches.

Anyone experiencing one or all of these symptoms should consult a doctor.

The Canadian Diabetes Association provides funding for 12.3% of all diabetic research in Canada, making it the largest voluntary, non-governmental supporter of diabetes research in our country.

As well, it is the major Canadian source for educational and nutritional material which is essential for people with diabetes. Also, it offers a host of services, such as special summer camps for diabetic children.

I would hope that any of your readers who know of anyone with diabetes will tell them to contact the Canadian Diabetes Association, 78 Bond St., Toronto, M6B 2J8; (416) 362-4440.

Bill Gleberzon
Toronto

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SALUTE TO JANICE MASER

On behalf of the board of directors of the Canadian Centre for Studies of the Holocaust and Genocide, I would like to thank you for printing the April 25 article "Array of speakers set for genocide symposium."

Unfortunately, the name of our conference chairman, Janice Maser, was misspelled in the article. Although the error was reported to the writer, it was not corrected in a subsequent symposium review article on May 16.

We would like to make this correction for your readers, and to acknowledge the valuable contribution made by Janice Maser in arranging a high calibre program on a vitally important social issue.

Dr. Henry Fenigstein
Toronto

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DON'T FORGET HIGH SCHOOLERS

The June 27 article by Esther Mehr on tzedakah by Jewish day schools did not include any information on the high school level.

As general studies principal at Yeshivat Or Chaim and Ulpanat Orot, I have watched our students at both schools raise, over the past number of years, many thousands of dollars for worthwhile projects.

It has always been the policy at both schools that the first fund raising project each year must be directed towards a tzedakah project. Latter fund raising is then directed toward student activities.

This past year the ulpana and yeshiva made a substantial contribution to the Ron Heller Memorial Fund for Ethiopian Jewry.

Peter Seidman
Toronto

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LAUDS REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK

It was with a great deal of pleasure that I read Frank Rasky's coverage of the tribute dinner to Paul Godfrey sponsored by the Canadian Friends of Boys Town Jerusalem in his June 20 Reporter's Notebook.

You have been more than generous over the past years in giving our organization editorial exposure in The Canadian Jewish News. The board of directors agrees with me that you are to be commended for allowing us this amount of space.

We especially want to commend Frank Rasky for his tact and discretion in interviewing personally some of our strongest supporters and for reporting those interviews so competently.

Our relationship with The Canadian Jewish News has always been cordial and productive. I know that this relationshiip will continue far into the future.

Eric Exton
Toronto

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EVEN JOB SEEKER CALLED!

The wide scope of your readership is truly amazing.

That was evident from the variety of callers responding to Cynthia Gasner's excellent May 23 article headed "Short term rentals boom" about our Promenade & Birchview Accommodations firm.

We had inquiries from real estate representatives, wedding and bar mitzvah parties, government officials, foreign students, marketing officers — and even a young lady PR person looking for a position!

S. Sigal
Toronto

World-National

Israelis urged to "bite the bullet" for 3 months

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dollar will be 1,500 to $1 (U.S.).

Massive cuts in government price support subsidies decreed by the program sent the price of subsidized consumer goods soaring between 45-75%. The price of bread was up 75%; cooking oil 60%; milk and dairy products 65%; frozen meat and poultry 45%; eggs 65%; and petrol by 27%.

The government also approved a general price rise of 17% on other items. The prices of about 100 subsidized products will rise between 25-30%.

All prices, wages and salaries will be frozen for a 3-month period. Wages will be cut by 3% in the public sector. Civil servants, with few exceptions, will not receive overtime pay and fringe benefits for the 3-month period.

Independently employed persons will have to increase their advance tax payments by 8.3% at the start of the tax year. But the value-added tax (VAT) will be lowered from 17 to 15%.

Peres admitted after the marathon cabinet session that for the next three months at least, the public will bear a heavy economic burden. But he predicted there were good prospects that runaway inflation, long the scourge of the economy, will be beaten down.

He urged the public, in effect, to bite the bullet for the short time. Without the harsh measures adopted, the economy would be sliding toward collapse and there would be no way out of the inflationary spiral, he said.

The government predicts that after a period of three months, during which inflation may rise to record highs, the economy will stabilize and inflation will be brought down to low single digits.

This, according to proponents of the plan, will set the stage for revived economic growth and expansion, easing the burden on wage-earners.

Although an undisclosed number of government employees will have to be dismissed because of curtailed government spending, mass unemployment will be avoided, supporters of the plan said.

The government claims its new measures will reduce government expenditures by $1.1 billion, considered a minimum to cool down inflation. But some economic experts argued that the real cuts will amount to only $300-$400 million and that the improved government balance sheet will really reflect more and heavier taxation which will in turn refuel inflation.

Histadrut was enraged because the government will impose its austerity program by invoking emergency regulations that are a holdover from the British Mandate regime. According to Histadrut Secretary-General Yisrael Kessar, this is the first time in Israel's history that these regulations were invoked. He blasted the cabinet for agreeing to them without prior negotiations or consultations with Histadrut.

The strike, or "walkout" was calculated to demonstrate trade union power in a country currently headed by a Labor prime minister.

As a result of the strike the country was strangely quiet for a day.

Histadrut exempted public transportation from the strike. Buses sped through empty streets where almost all shops and offices were closed. Ben Gurion airport shut down at 10 a.m., four hours after the walkout officially started. The delay was to allow foreign airlines to advance their flights and clear Israeli airspace early in the day. There was no incoming traffic.

The seaports — mainly Haifa, Ashdod and Eilat — were closed and the loading and discharge of cargo was suspended for the 24-hour period.

Supermarkets and food chains did not open, but neighborhood "mom and pop" groceries kept open. They were short of bread and milk, however, because the dairies and bakeries were shut down.

Hospitals and clinics continued to function with skeleton staffs on a restricted Sabbath basis. Histadrut instructed its members to ignore back-to-work orders issued by labnor courts that went beyond minimal essential services.

No newspapers were published. Radio and television were blacked-out, except for brief hourly bulletins.

Electric power shortages were reported in some parts of the country. Employees of the Israel Electric Corp. observed the strike. They left the generators running, but at low night rate when demand is minimal.

The only violence directly linked to the government's economic program occurred in a slum neighborhood in Jerusalem, well before the strike deadline. Twenty people were arrested and four border policemen were injured in a scuffle that developed when the police knocked down a barricade of burning tires that was blocking a road.

Smoke-starved Israelis raid plant

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

Grown men wept, fistfights broke out and police were forced to intervene to quell a near riot outside the Dubek cigarette factory in Ramat Gan which resumed production after shutting down for a week because the ceiling on cigarette prices was too low.

Dubek has a monopoly on domestic tobacco products. The government's emergency economic program allows it to raise prices, but, according to Dubek executives, not enough to pay the higher commissions demanded by the distributors.

The distributors refuse to distribute, the tobacco shelves remain empty and hundreds of smoke-starved Israelis laid siege to the plant where the precious stuff is made.

The need for cigarettes was apparently so acute that frustrated smokers tried to climb the wire mesh fences surrounding the factory. Many cried bitterly as they begged for a pack or two, or even a single butt.

Plant managers took pity. They tossed several cartons from the windows. They stopped after it became apparent that many in the eager crowd who snatched them were not desperate smokers but black market operatives who sold the free cigarettes immediately at many times their normal price.

Fisticuffs broke out because the distributors, holding out for higher commissions, tried to block the crowd from reaching the plant. Dubek said it could not meet the distributors' demands because the 40% price increase allowed would not begin to cover their inflated costs.

Hostage-taking strengthens ties

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Arabs all along. The official explanation was that the Lebanese Arabs would have been released earlier had it not been for problems between Finnish UNIFIL troops and the pro-Israel South Lebanon Army and the hijacking itself.

Abba Eban, chairman of the Knesset foreign affairs and security committee, said there had been *no "understanding"* with the U.S. on the decision to free the 300. No date for the release of the remaining Arab prisoners, who were suspected of being involved in attacks against Israeli troops in southern Lebanon, has been set as yet.

Soon after the crisis broke out on June 14, Israel made it known that the U.S. was exerting subtle pressure on it to release the Arabs in its possession. Israel said it would free them if there was a direct and public American request, which never materialized.

At one point, in frustration, Israeli Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin chided the U.S. for "playing games" by refusing to make such a request. He also said the hijacking was solely an "American problem."

These statements, combined with the U.S. charge that Israel had contravened the Fourth Geneva Convention by jailing the Lebanese Arabs, temporarily strained Jerusalem's friendship with Washington.

With the TWA episode officially over, Israel continued to insist that Syria had the means to gain the release of seven additional Americans imprisoned in Lebanon for the past 17 months.

Syria played an important role in the peaceful resolution of the hijacking. With the agreement of the Shiite Amal militia, which is headed by Nabih Berri, the hostages were taken by car from Beirut to Damascus and from there were flown to a U.S. military base in West Germany.

The Syrians are said to have put pressure on the Party of God to let the Americans go in return for an assurance that Israel would eventually free the Arabs it held.

The Reagan administration, which is now demanding freedom for the remaining seven Americans in captivity, thanked Syria for being so helpful in resolving the hijacking. Israel claims that the Syrians, who control the area in Lebanon where the Party of God operates, work hand in glove with the terrorists.

Reports during the crisis spoke of up to a dozen hostages with "Jewish-sounding names" having been separated from the rest of the Americans in captivity.

In fact, two — Richard Herzberg and Michael Brown — were Jewish. And only Herzberg was segregated from the others because he was Jewish. According to various accounts, they were treated well.

Meanwhile, the U.S. was getting nowhere with its effort to quarantine Beirut airport on the grounds that it has become a haven for terrorists. Of all its allies, only Britain announced its readiness to cooperate in the closing of the airport to international traffic.

The Lebanese government, such as it is, said after tightening security that it would "confront" any attempt by the U.S. to do so. The Reagan administration said it was not impressed by Lebanon's new regulations to safeguard its airport.

Moreover, President Reagan said the Lebanese terrorists who killed one of the hostages early in the crisis, a naval serviceman, "must be brought to justice." Reagan's spokesman told the press that the U.S. is considering offering rewards of up to $5 million leading to the capture of the hijackers.

Senate hits out at UN agencies

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF
WASHINGTON —

The Senate has adopted two measures that would expand the current laws prohibiting U.S. payments to additional United Nations agencies promoting the UN General Assembly's 10-year-old resolution equating Zionism with racism and impose permanent financial penalty on any agency that would deprive Israel of its rights.

The measures, adopted as amendments to the authorization of funds for the state department for the fiscal year beginning October 1, would in effect cost the offending UN agencies a quarter of their budgets since the U.S. is assessed 25% of the cost of UN operations.

Since the House has already adopted its authorization legislation, the amendments will be taken up by the Senate-House conference where adoption is probable.

The current law provides that if Israel is denied its rights in any manner in the UN or any specialized agency, the U.S. shall suspend its participation in it until "the illegal action is reversed," and, in addition, the U.S. would withhold its payments during that period.

"The problem with the current law is that this represents no penalty, as when the suspension is finished, the funds witheld are paid in full," Wisconsin Republican Bob Kasten said. His amendment would permanently penalize the UN agency 8.34% for each month in which U.S. participation is suepended.

Under the current law, the state department is prohibited from making payments to the agencies such as the Committee on the exercise for the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian people, the special unit of Palestinian rights, projects for the PLO, or for the South West Africa People's Organization.

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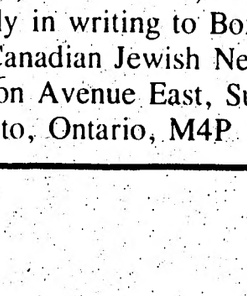

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Strong words on anti-semitism

Small communities air concerns at conference

By
LINDA EPSTEIN

SASKATOON — Religious survival, education and programming for youth, and access to funding and resources were some of the major concerns expressed by representatives of small Jewish communities at a conference held here recently by the Canadian Jewish Congress.

The CJC Western Region Small Communities Conference with the theme Staying Alive — Problems of Small Jewish Communities included delegates and Congress and Canadian Zionist Federation resource people.

The conference opened with an erev Shabbat dinner at which Gideon Saguy, Israel's consul-general in Toronto, brought greetings and CJC president Milton Harris delivered the opening address.

Still on Friday evening, well known Canadian journalist and humorist Allan Gould brought an insight on the "special difference" of Judaism through discussion of Midrashic and Talmudic tales.

In a strongly worded message Saturday on anti-semitism, Mark Silverberg, CJC Pacific Region executive director, said that pride in Jewish culture and heritage "will strengthen us to combat the political paranoids, conspiracy theorists and Keegstras of our society."

Outlining a program for action, he said: "Yes, we do have something to say . . . never again shall we as Jews remain silent in the face of injustice to anyone . . . we must never again be powerless." He stressed, however, that it is important to remember that the vast majority of Americans and Canadians are "fine, decent and righteous people."

Other activites on Saturday included a lively session on Jewish writing with Gould; a session on youth programming with CJC small communities director Shellie Ettinger, and a children's singsong with musician Yossi Milo.

After a brief session with CJC National Executive Director Jack Silverstone, advising of Congress' role in public relations and as a resource to small communities, Martin Penn, national director for the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry gave a moving account of the plight of Jews in the Soviet Union, and urged delegates to maintain contact with their brethren there.

Letters from small communities seem to get through more readily, he said, and the correspondence does help. "You say the emmes," a Soviet Jew in attendance remarked.

Bob Willmott, director of parliamentary affairs of the Canada-Israel Committee, gave an update on Canada's relations with Israel and an outline of lobbying techniques.

Sunday sessions included workshops on grants, Israel programs and children's and youth programs.

Shul sponsors

TORONTO — The youngest Conservative synagogue in the Metro Toronto area, Shaareh Haim Congregation of Richmond Hill, has become one of the sponsoring synagogues of the United Synagogue Day School, says Harvey Joseph, president of the school.

Shaareh Haim joins the following sponsoring synagogues: Adath Israel, Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am, Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda, Beth Sholom, Beth Tikvah and Beth Tzedec congregations.

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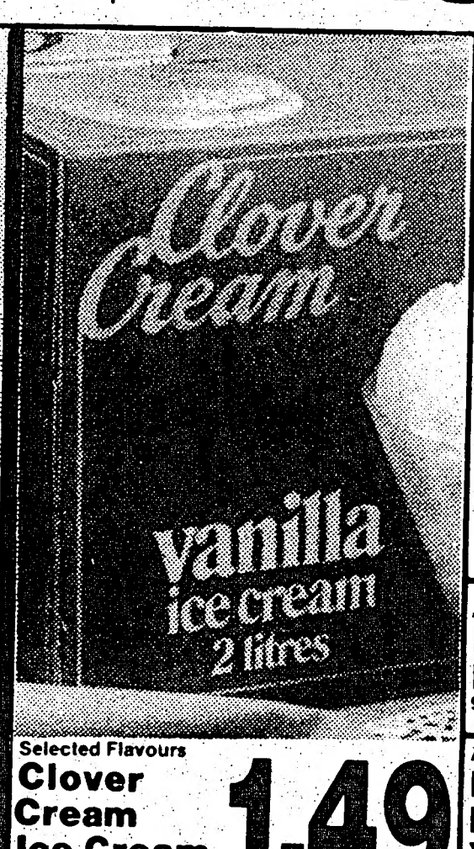

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Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

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Saturday, July 13

SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE
The King David Congregation invites the community to join in the Shabbat morning service on Saturday, July 13, at 9.30 at Forest Hill Collegiate Institute auditorium, 730 Eglinton Ave. W. Service will be conducted by **Rabbi Meir Uri Gottesman**. There will be a kiddush following the service. Children are very welcome.

Sunday, July 14

PNAI PICNIC
The Toronto, Buffalo, Rochester and Syracuse chapters of PNAI, Parents of North American Israelis (formerly APAI), are holding a picnic at the picnic grounds, Niagara on the Lake, on Sunday, July 14, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Anyone needing a lift, or anyone with room in their car for a passenger, should call a member of the executive.

Monday, July 15

YIDDISH FOLK MUSIC
The Committee for Yiddish, Toronto Jewish Congress, with the assistance of the City of North York and the Trust Fund of the Toronto Musicians Union, is holding its sixth annual open air concert of Yiddish folk music on Monday, July 15, at 7 p.m. at Earl Bales Park (Bathurst and Sheppard).

This year the concert takes place in the new area of the park, in front of the Skylight Theatre location.

As always, the concert is dedicated to the best of Yiddish folk songs. Featured artists are **Emil Gorovitz**, a well-known singer from New York; **Jossi** with his accordian and orchestra, and two talented actors, **Michael Lebovic** and **Gloria Valentine** in some humorous readings. The entire program is under the musical direction of **Cantor Louis Danto** of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue.

The concert is free to the public. Please bring lawn chairs and/or blankets to the park. In case of rain, the concert will be held at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, at 100 Elder St.

DONATION FOR HOSPITAL

Abie Nyman (left) recently made a donation to the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation in honor of Issie Antfick (centre) which was acknowledged at a meeting of the Ostrovtzer Society. Sharing in the presentation ceremonies is Joe Snider. [Graphic Artists photo]

OFFICERS INSTALLED

The first installation of officers of the Markham-Unionville Chapter of B'nai B'rith Women took place recently at the Parkway Hotel in Markham. This is the first organized Jewish women's group to be formed in the district. At present there are 35 members. From left to right are Rhoda Smith, vice-president; Barbara Sklar, president; Ellen Covent, vice-president; Ethel Covent, installing officer, and Anna Lee Gould, consultant.

Wednesday, July 17

JABOTINSKY MEMORIAL
To commemorate the 45th year following the death of **Ze'ev Jabotinsky**, the founder and mentor of Betar, Herut Canada is holding a memorial service on Wednesday, July 17, at 8 p.m. at the Lodzer Holocaust Centre, 12 Heaton St. (Bathurst and Sheppard). The evening's keynote speaker will be **Amnon Ajzensztadt**, author and journalist.

For further information, call **Myryam Levitan** at 665-7085.

JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
The Jewish Genealogical Society of Toronto meets on Wednesday, July 17, at 7.30 p.m. at the B'nai B'rith House, 15 Hove St. The group is looking for new members — looking for you!!

CONTEMPORARY CONVERSATIONS
Contemporary Conversations, for ages 25-35, is having a planning meeting and first get-together on Wednesday, July 17, at 7 p.m. at 788 Marlee Ave. This is a discussion group to talk about contemporary Jewish and Zionist issues.

For information, contact **Phyllis Solsberg** at 977-2469 days or 925-0845 evenings.

KIDS COOKING CONTEST
Every summer Central Library holds its great mouth-watering cooking contest and this year is no exception. On Wednesday, July 17, children, ages 13 and under, are invited to show the world that they are champion cooks.

All they have to do is contact the Central Library Children's Librarians at 225-8891, ext. 62, to sign up for the contest and receive full contest rules.

Contest is from 2-3.30 p.m. at the library, 5126 Yonge St. (north of Sheppard).

Thursday, July 18

THURSDAY EVENING SEMINARS
The Thursday evening seminars, sponsored by Jewish Education Program/Ohr Somayach Tanenbaum College, continue on July 18 with Dimensions of a Tragedy. The time is 8.30 p.m. at Eitz Chaim School, 475 Patricia Ave. For information, contact JEP office at 787-1681.

And What Else Is New...

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JEWISH FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION
Leadership of Jewish Family Life Education of Jewish Family & Child Service is now being provided by **Maureen Feder, Sheila Freeman** and **Barbra Walters**. All three have been heavily involved with Family Life Education for a number of years. They are well known in the community for the programs they have facilitated for JF & CS at various synagogues and community agencies as well as women's service groups.

The department will continue to offer the wide range of programs designed to enhance family living. The new coordinators are pleased to work with you in developing any innovative ideas you might have and welcome your calls.

Should you require any family life education materials or leadership intervention, they will be happy to share their ideas and expertise.

If you know of anyone who might be suitable for a Family Life Education group, be sure to call Barbra, Sheila or Maureen and they'll be pleased to assist in finding the most appropriate group. The number is 638-7800, ext. 290.

U OF T YIDDISH CREDIT COURSE
The University of Toronto is offering a credit course in Yiddish for beginners. Classes will run Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to noon with instructor **Itch Shoichet**. No prerequisites are necessary.

Anyone interested should contact the department of Germanic languages, 97 St. George St., 978-3186 or the Committee for Yiddish of Toronto Jewish Congress, 635-2883, ext. 155, or Mr. Shoichet, 494-8413.

COUPLES BOWLING LEAGUE
Beth Tikvah Bowling League has openings for couples every second Sunday at 7.30 p.m. beginning in September. Join and have some fun! Call **Ruth**, 223-4544 or **Zelda**, 493-1614 for details.

COMPUTER VOLUNTEERS
The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is looking for student volunteers as tutors for a seniors computer course on Wednesday afternoons. A professional teacher is on hand.

If you are interested, call **Bookie Kwart** at 225-2112.

YOUNG & OLD WELCOME SHABBAT
Recently residents of the Jewish Home for the Aged (JHA) joined with children from Holy Blossom Temple Nursury School in singing songs to welcome the Shabbat. The 45 children, ages 4 and 5, visited JHA residents at Baycrest Centre as part of the Erev Shabbat program held every Friday afternoon.

The children conducted a Shabbat service for residents, brought them fruit and flowers and presented them with a check for $175 for the Baycrest Hospital building fund. Each child collected money in a tzedakah (charity) box during the year and it was decided that it should be used to help care for the elderly.

Baycrest Centre's Erev Shabbat program is an ongoing event every Friday afternoon to celebrate the coming of the Sabbath. Associ 1 Hebrew Schools grade 6 classes conduct th ogram biweekly during most of the year an mpers from the Jewish Community Centre day camps entertain JHA residents during the summer.

LZA BOROCHOV BRANCH
Borochov Branch 124, Labor Zionist Alliance, held its closing meeting of the season recently at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue.

Vice-president **William Leibach** donated the breakfast for the meeting in honor of the marriage of his grandson. Recording secretary **Joe Erlich** greeted and thanked him for his generosity on behalf of the branch.

Guest speaker was **Jacob Egit**, who spoke about his recent trip to Israel.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Taylor Place, located in the Don Mills and Lawrence area, has initiated a summer program for seniors unable to get out on their own. Transportation is provided to the centre for recreational and social activities as well as a nutritional lunch. The program runs on Wednesdays from 10.30 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. until Aug. 14. If you can help with this project, call Volunteer Centre at 481-6194.

NY ARTISTS & PERFORMERS
North York artists and craftspeople who wish to display their work and performers who wish to entertain on stage as part of North York Day at the Canadian National Exhibition on Wednesday, Aug. 21, from noon to 8 p.m., can contact **Barbara Emmett** at 585-7036 for more details.

SKYLIGHT THEATRE
Skylight Theatre opens its 6th season with The Count of Monte Cristo, starring **David Calderisi** and co-directed by **Lewis Baumander and Patrick Christopher**. The play, presented in the open air setting of Earl Bales Park, runs until July 28. Curtain time is 8 p.m. Admission is free. Bring a picnic and your own blanket.

CAREER CHANGE FOR TEACHERS
Arlene Dermer has recently moved to Toronto from Vancouver. She is initiating a support group for teachers changing careers.

The objectives of this group are to share job search experiences, suggest occupational areas that can best utilize training, numerous skills and unique personalities, discuss employment opportunities in these areas, encourage continued risk-taking and offer leads and empathy.

If you are interested in forming a group, call her at 483-4566.

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Survival for Seniors, a 4-week life skills program for seniors, is being offered on Mondays from 10-11.30 a.m. starting July 15. Topics will include building and maintaining good family relationships, making new friends, community resources (what's available for you during the summer) and the joy and fears of being a senior. Program will take place at Jewish Family & Child Service, 4600 Bathurst St., 6th floor. A nominal fee will be charged. To register, call **Mat** at 638-7800.

Workmen's Circle Social Club 50 Plus will meet on Tuesday, July 16, at noon, at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. for lunch and entertainment.....The trip to Peterborough was very successful.....Space is still available for the Niagara Falls trip July 24. Non-members are welcome. For information, call **Shirley Grotell**, 222-7727.

Join **Club Chaverim** at 1.30 p.m. on Monday, July 15, when health expert **Donna Kaplan** continues her discussion on how you can improve

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Organizations and People

What's New

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your sense of well being and increase your energy. The program will take place at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. Charge is 50 cents for members and 75 cents for non-members. Come at noon for lunch ($1.25). Wear comfortable clothing. For more information, call **Fran Chodak** at 889-0813.

Upper Canada Friendship Club, 4266 Bathurst St., held elections recently. **Dora Posluns** was elected president, **Rae Fergus**, first vice-president; **Mary Tile**, second vice-president; **Kay Rifkin**, treasurer, and **Minnie Sugar**, secretary. Officers are elected for a 1-year term.

Earl Bales Seniors' Place presents a dance at Earl Bales Community Centre (in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard) on Saturday, July 13, from 8-11 p.m. There will be a live band and a raffle and refreshments will be available. Admission is $3.50 for members, $4 for non-members. For further information, call 636-7856.....The line and ballroom dancing are in full swing on Wednesdays from 7.30-9.30 p.m. Come out and have an enjoyable evening with **Ada Goldblatt**. There is no charge.

At the **Wagman Centre**, the creative arts department is presenting a crash crochet course on Wednesday, July 17, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. This 1-day course will show you everything you want to know about crochet from basic stitches to finishing techniques. Registration is limited. Fee is $5 members, $10 non-members. For more information and registration, contact **Janet Page**, 789-5131, ext. 431.....Classical pianist **Shayaya Petroff**, violinist **Barry Shiffman** and folksinger **Jennie Eisenstein** will perform at the centre's annual concert Tuesday, July 16, from 7-9 p.m. in the Sam and Mary Harris Music Room.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

The Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI) series, The Last 200 Years of European Jewish History (1780s-1980s) continues with **Prof. Emanuel Goldberg** on Monday, July 15, from 1.30-3.30 p.m. Fee is $1 members, $1.50 non-members.

The Health Information summer series, Look Better to Feel Better, continues with Skin Care and Beauty in the Senior Years on Thursday, July 18, at 1.30 p.m. A representative of Carol Baker Visage Cosmetics will demonstrate proper skin care and makeup application for older adults.

A special draw will choose one lucky individual to be the model for the day. Members admission is free. Non-members pay $1.

On Thursday, July 11, the video, Marrying, takes a look at wedding customs in rural China and examines changes in traditional family structure and women's social roles. The time is 1.30-2.30 p.m. There is no charge.

High Holiday tickets go on sale at the information desk July 15. The price is $30. Services are open to all people in the community.

The Sunday afternoon program on July 14 at 2 p.m. features singer-pianist **Blanche Bennett**, who will play your old favorites. Fee is $1 members, $1.50 non-members.

On Wednesday, July 17, at 1.30 p.m., the popular musical group, The Roth Family, will entertain. Admission is $1 members, $1.50 non-members.

singles

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B'nai B'rith Canada announces a new singles men's lodge-in-formation. If you are between 20-35 years of age, single, and want to get in on the ground floor of this new venture, then you are invited to attend the next meeting on Tuesday, July 16, at 7.30 p.m. at the B'nai B'rith House, 15 Hove St., Downsview.

Some of the programs already planned include co-ed softball, picnics, Blue Jay games, wine and cheese parties, as well as community service projects. For more information, call **Mark** or **Aaron** at 633-6224.

Total Living Mature Singles is having a general meeting on Sunday, July 14, at 8 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre. An interesting lecture on wills and testaments and other related topics of interest to mature singles will be given by a legal expert. Admission is $2 members, $3 non-members.....There are just a few seats left on the bus to the Granit Hotel in the Catskills, Aug. 11-18. This is by reservation only, on a first come, first serve basis.....On Sunday, Aug. 4, the group is going to Artpark to see the musical Oliver. For information and reservations for these trips, call **Esther** at 783-9435.

Here's a message for all single women, mid 20s to early 30s. **Club Dafna of Pioneer Women** calls all new friends to come in swimming. If you missed out on the June 23 pool party, another one has been arranged for Sunday, July 14, complete with great food and good company. Call **Lisa**, the president, and she will give you all the details. The number is 785-1290.

Solelim, ages 20s and 30s, is going on its semi-monthly, half-day hike along part of the Bruce Trail, near Toronto, this Sunday, July 14. Meet at the Donut Corner in Lawrence Plaza. Car pooling will be available.

If there is a mid-morning rain, meet at the above at 1 p.m. for indoor program. For more details, phone, evenings and weekends only, **Jeffrey**, 783-3019, or **Ray**, 638-6005.

How is the ketubbah a form of artistic expression? What is involved in creating the traditional marriage contract? To find out, join the **Single Professional Women's Branch of National Council of Jewish Women** on Thursday, July 18, at 8 p.m. at 271 Park Home Ave. (Sheppard and Senlac), when **Ted Labow** will discuss the artist's role in producing a ketubbah. For more information, call 633-5100 or 225-4995 (after 5 p.m.).

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The Action of Realizing, an exhibition of handmade paper works, by **Wendy Cain, Joyce Honsberger, Olga Philip** and **Joanne Ross**, will be at the Koffler Gallery, Koffler Centre of the Arts of the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St., from July 16 to Aug. 23.

A reminder to make your reservations for the North-East Couples Over 40 July Fest taking place Sunday, the 21st, at 7 p.m. This is the first event presented by the new committee and it will be a barbecue and swim party and dance at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St.

Everyone is welcome, so bring your friends. Lockers and showers will be available. The cost is $13 per couple. RSVP by July 15. Call **Ruth Cooper** at 225-2531 or **Shelly Greisman** at 493-2766 or **Laura Goldstein** at 665-4524.

About People

YESHIVA PRINCIPALS MEET

Rabbi Yosef I. Grossman, a native Torontonian, served as co-chairman of the recent convention of the National Conference of Yeshiva Principals (NCYP), an affiliate of the National Society of Hebrew Day Schools of North America. At the convention he was elected secretary of the NCYP executive board.

Rabbi Grossman

The convention, held at the Homowack Hotel in Spring Glen, NY, brought together rabbis, educators and lay leaders from across Canada and the U.S.

Rabbi Grossman, a graduate of Toronto's Eitz Chaim Day School, is spiritual leader of Congregation Bais Yehuda, Monsey, NY, and menahel (principal) of the Beth Jacob-Beth Miriam School, Bronx, NY. His parents are **Moshe** and **Selma Grossman** of Toronto.

HEADS COMPUTER SOCIETY

Tzippi Bernstein, the daughter of **Ben** and **Daliah Bernstein** of Toronto, has been elected president of the Computer Science Society at Yeshiva University's Stern College for Women. She will serve in that position during the coming academic year.

Tzippi Bernstein

Tzippi, 19, will be a senior at Stern College this fall, where she is majoring in computer science and economics. She also serves as the Stern College coordinator for Computer Speaks, the university's computer science publication.

A GOLD AND A BRONZE

Max Gould has done it again! He and his wife **Sylvia** have just returned from Rome, Italy, where he competed in the race walking competitions at the sixth World Masters (40 years and over) Track and Field competitions, winning a bronze medal in the 5 km race walk held at the Olympic Stadium track and a gold medal in the 20 km race walk held in Villa Borghese Park.

This makes 12 world championship medals in all for the Toronto businessman, who has competed in all the prior World Masters Track and Field games.

More than 53 countries were represented in the Rome competitions.

TORONTO HAZZANIM EXECUTIVE

The Toronto Council of Hazzanim has elected a new executive to serve for the next two years. President is **Cantor Benjamin Z. Maissner** of Holy Blossom Temple; vice-president, **Cantor Yitzchak Aptowitzer**, Congregation Shaarei Tefillah; secretary, **Cantor A. Martin Steinhouse**, Temple Har Zion; and treasurer, **Cantor Martin Rosenblum**, Adath Sholom Synagogue.

LITERARY RABBI

Rabbi David Monson has been commissioned by the federal government to write a section on the history of Jewish settlement in Canada for the new book, Canada: From Sea Unto Sea, which will be launched at Expo 86 in Vancouver by **Prime Minister Brian Mulroney**.

RABBI PLAUT HONORED

Rabbi Jonathan V. Plaut recently received his former community's most prestigious tribute as the honoree of Windsor's Negev Dinner, under the auspices of the Jewish National Fund. Rabbi Plaut, spiritual leader of Windsor's Congregation Beth el for 15 years, is now senior rabbi of Temple Emanu-El in San Jose, Calif. With Rabbi Plaut (4th from right) and his wife Carol are, from left, Col. Yehoshua Bar-Am, Ontario JNF representative; Jack Stein, Windsor JNF president; Judge Carl Zalev, Windsor JNF board chairman; Ted J. Hochberg, dinner chairman; Fred P. Katzman, who presented the Negev Dinner citation; Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, the honoree's father, who delivered the keynote address; Melvin Sorffer, Ontario JNF president, and Kurt E. Weinberg, retiring JNF executive director.

CHEERS FOR HAMILTON JNF

The Hamilton JNF campaign and Negev Dinner honoring Rabbi Israel Nathan Silverman accomplished unprecedented financial success in the 32-year-old Hamilton JNF history. The dinner under the sponsorship of the Jewish National Fund, took place at Adas Israel auditorium. It was attended by a record-breaking audience of 525 friends and admirers. From left to right are Bernie Katz, chairman, Foundation committee; Larry Paikin, Hamilton JNF president; Rabbi Silverman, the honoree; Dr. Jack J. Shekter, JNF board chairman; Lee Strub, associate chairman, and Abby Goldblatt, Negev Dinner chairman. [Ben Lechtman photo]

Art auction a success

KITCHENER, Ont. — The recent Montage of Art auction presented by the Kitchener-Waterloo Chapter of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science has been described as an "enormous success."

More than 300 people attended the auction at the Beth Jacob Synagogue in Kitchener. Works by artists including Salvador Dali, Erte, Ebgi, Cranston, Vasarely, Szabo, Agam, Jack Reid, Chagall, Danby, Picasso, Calder, Appel and Neirman were featured.

Gordon Strauss, president of the Kitchener-Waterloo chapter, worked closely with the auction committee and praised its members: Pam and Don Bierstock, Linda and Howard Budd, Gail and Arthur Hock, Janice and Lionel Mausberg, Linda and Bernie Papernick, Judy and Mendel Somer, Joyce Strauss, Elaine and Murray Walman, Revie and Paul Walman, Sirky and Leo Wolynetz and Lillian Weiss.

James Kay, the society's national president, was honorary auctioneer.

Organizations and People

A Reporter's Notebook

"Weizmann mishpocha" salutes Leo the Lion

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

It was billed as A Night To Remember.

And so there was a gold-foil star at each table, set in the centre of a vase of exquisite yellow lilies.

The cover of the dinner menu program sustained the symbolism. An array of stars in a midnight blue sky glittered in a galaxy shaped like Leo the Lion.

And indeed there were plenty of stars from the Jewish community who came out last fortnight to sparkle and play and pay homage to their own Leo.

He was Leo Perkell, the rags-to-riches son of a Polish immigrant grocer on Augusta Ave. who rose to become a noted Toronto industrialist and one of the leading founders 20 years ago of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science.

More than 650 "mishpocha of the Weizmann family" — as members of the society call themselves — came from chapters across Canada and from as far away as Jerusalem, London and New York City to a blacktie dinner and gathering of their clan at the Grand Ballroom of the Royal York Hotel.

The $2 million proceeds they contributed will establish the Perkell Building in a new wing of the Weizmann's Rehovot campus near Jerusalem to be called the Canadian Institute for the Energies and Applied Research.

Devoted to the science of harnessing energy from the sun, the new building will honor the memory of Leo's late parents, **Max and Rae Perkell**, who emigrated from the Polish shtetl of Ostrolenka to run a meat, fish and grocery shop in what was then Toronto's Jewish ghetto.

While **Murray Alter's** society orchestra played a jolly potpourri of rock disco and Jewish folk tunes, many of the guests made it a night for remembering either their own humble beginnings or the beginnings of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute.

Here's a reporter's notebook gleaned from their remembrances of times past and anticipations of the future.

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Some of the evening's most amusing memories were recounted by the guest speaker from England, **David Sieff**. A governor of the Weizmann Institute with a Cary Grant charm, he's the 46-year-old son of **Lord Sieff of Brimpton** and the great-great-nephew of **Michael Marks**, founder of the chain of Marks & Spencer stores.

He recalled how his patriarchal ancestor was a poor Polish immigrant who launched the family's retail empire 101 years ago with a penny stall in London's slums. A sign painted on the stall by a fellow greenhorn read: "Don't ask the price — it's a penny."

"My great-great uncle had a good reason for having the sign painted," said Sieff. "He couldn't speak a word of English. But he could count pennies."

Sieff himself is a director of the chain which has since expanded from that stall into 264 Marks & Spencer stores in the United Kingdom, 64 in Canada and eight in Europe. "But my apprenticeship wasn't very posh," he said. "I started in the business at 18 in the stock room. I swept the floors and carried boxes of bananas."

He recalls proudly how the Weizmann began as the Sieff Institute, named after his father, then **Sir Marcus Sieff**, and his uncle **Daniel**. It opened in 1934 — a chemistry building, two labs and a primitive clubhouse for six scientists and a staff of 16 set on the edge of the desert, "with not a tree, not a flower, not a blade of grass."

It has since flourished into a garden oasis of 34 buildings involved in 700 research projects designed to benefit mankind, exploring everything from the conquering of cancer, the functioning of the brain, the process of aging, to the secrets of life itself.

And Sieff says the catalyst responsible was an extraordinary, flamboyant character named **Meyer Weisgal**. A former New York theatre impresario and editor of the Canadian Jewish Standard, Weisgal became the right-hand man of **Chaim Weizmann** and his most persuasive fund raiser for the institute.

"If there was a Nobel Prize for shnorrerai, Meyer would have won it hands down," says Sieff. "It was Meyer who went to my family and asked permission to change the name of the Sieff Institute. 'If you let me call it the Weizmann Institute,' he said, 'I promise to set up fund raising societies for it around the world.' "

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He certainly kept his promise, says **Murray Koffler**, recalling with amusement how Weisgal talked him into heading the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute 20 years ago.

Koffler, of course, is the 61-year-old board chairman of the Shoppers Drug Mart chain of 410 pharmacy stores currently grossing $1.5 billion throughout North America. He is stepping down from his lofty post next March. But he hasn't risen so high that he has forgotten his apprenticeship as floor sweeper, soda fountain jockey and delivery boy of soda pop for the drugstore that his Romanian immigrant father, **Leon**, operated on Bathurst St. at Claxton.

Neither has he forgotten his first meeting with Weisgal in 1965 when the promoter extraordinaire was in Toronto visiting his friends, **Sam and Ayala Zacks** and **Ben and Yael Dunkelman**.

"Weisgal was a brilliant spellbinder with great wit," recalls Koffler. "He later told me half jokingly how he traveled around the world telling all sorts of lies about what the Weizmann Institute was going to do. Then he'd go back to the professors there and say, 'I've told the world what you're going to do. Now you'd better well do it!' "

Weisgal was also an adroit manipulator, says Koffler. "He told me, 'I'm staying overnight especially to hear an Israeli artist who's singing at a nightclub here on Yorkville Ave. Please join me.' "

As soon as they were relaxed at the table the following evening, he remembers Weisgal shaking his hand and exclaiming jovially, "Congratulations, Murray! I've just appointed you first president of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute."

"But, Meyer," said the surprised Koffler, caught off his guard. "There *is* no Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute!"

That," said Weisgal with a grin, "is now *your* problem."

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Ben Dunkelman was one of the original committee of 10 co-founding members of the Canadian Society, since grown into a nationwide membership of more than 6,000. The former Tip Top Tailor tycoon and valiant Canadian brigadier-general who fought for Israel in its 1948 War of Independence, he's now the 72-year-old proprietor of Dunkelman's Fine Foods. And even though it conflicted with the opening of his new $1 million Daily Planet restaurant on Eglinton at Yonge, he insisted on attending the Leo Perkell dinner.

Just as he has vivid memories of how the Tip Top Tailors empire was founded by his father, **David Dunkelman**, a Polish immigrant vestmaker, he likes recalling his family's involvement with the Weizmann Institute.

It was his mother, **Rose Dunkelman**, who hired Weisgal to be editor of her weekly, the Canadian Jewish Standard.

"Weisgal was a theatrical promoter, with a shock of white hair, a dynamic speaker with a golden tongue," Dunkelman remembers. "He was in love with my mother and called her the 'czarina.' Weizmann also worshipped my mother and called her 'Rosie.'

"Weizmann regarded my mother as his loyal friend, follower, and protege in Zionism. He was a gentle, kindly soul, and I remember him once saying on a visit to our house, 'I just came back from South Africa where they inaugurated a game preserve. It's ironic that they're able to provide a magnificent preservation for animals. I don't understand why they won't now provide a preservation for homeless Jews.' "

He believes the Weizmann Institute will remain a lasting legacy for Israel's first President. "Chaim Weizmann had the vision to break through the confining walls of chauvinism and provincialism," said Dunkelman. "Instead, he aspired to make the institute a world science centre, representing the Jewish people in their desire for learning and to make noble discoveries for all humanity."

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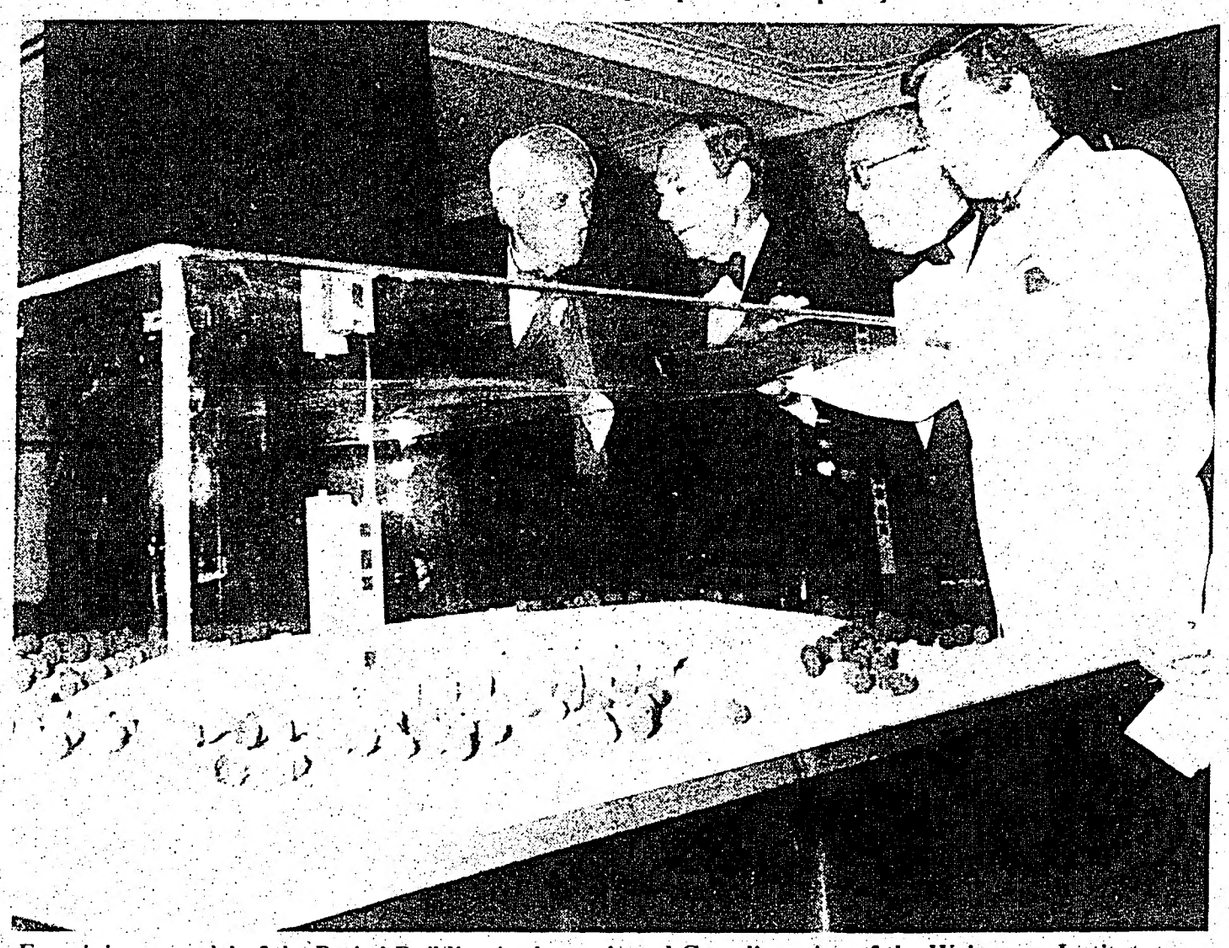
Other notable "members of the Weizmann family" who attended the dinner included: **Ayala Zacks Abramov** (who denied reigning as the "grande dame of Jerusalem's art salons" but readily admitted "I'm 72 and feel like a young 22"; **Senator David Croll** (looking remarkably spry at 85); and **Melvyn Dobrin**, board chairman of the Steinberg chain of supermarkets and restaurants (who said business was "fine and dandy").

Also attending were Toronto artist **Sorel Etrog**, who created a sculpture presented to Perkell; co-chairman of the dinner **H. Thomas Beck**, chairman of Noma Industries, attending with his wife, **Mary**; and fellow dinner co-chairman **James F. Kay**, chairman of Dylex Ltd., who attended with his wife, **Elaine**.

Kay summed up the spirit of the evening nicely by quoting from the Book of Proverbs: "Where there is no vision, the people shall perish."

Drinking a toast to guest speaker David Sieff are Marvelle Koffler (left), Elaine Kay and Mary Beck, wives of the three co-chairmen at Perkell tribute dinner. [Graphic Artists photo]



Examining a model of the Perkel Building in the projected Canadian wing of the Weizmann Institute are H. Thomas Beck (left), Murray Koffler, Leo Perkell and James F. Kay. [Graphic Artists photo]

Architect and town planner

Lambert named to Order of Canada

MONTREAL —

Architect and urban planner Phyllis Lambert of Montreal has been appointed a Member of the Order of Canada. The founding director of the Canadian Centre for Architecture, Lambert is a fellow of the Royal Institute of Architecture of Canada. She has been involved with numerous projects to preserve the architectural heritage of Montreal.

She was founding president of Heritage Montreal in 1974 and of the Societe de partimoine urbain de Montreal in 1979.

Lambert, daughter of Saidye and the late Sam Bronfman, has had direct involvement with a co-operative housing development in the Milton Park area, the restoration of the Jane Tate House, housing units on St. Hubert St., and a study of graystone building in Montreal.

In the 1960s, she was the architect of the Saidye Bronfman Centre, a cultural centre affiliated with the YM-YWHA offering a wide variety of programs for the Jewish and general communities.

Much of her major work has been done in the United States. In the 50s, Lambert was director of planning for the Seagram Building in New York. In the 70s, she was in charge of renovations to the Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles, for which she won several awards. She was also responsible for a number of projects in Chicago.

Among her many honors, Lambert was the recipient of the Massey Medal for architecture from the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada in 1970 for the Saidye Bronfman Centre.

Last October, she was named a Great Montrealer along with former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau and Power Corp. chairman Paul Desmarais. This annual award is co-sponsored by the Montreal Chamber of Commerce and Canadian National Railways.

Lambert was also recently named to the Order of Quebec, a new citation awarded by the provincial cabinet to Quebecers who have achieved the highest distinction in their fields.

Organizations and People

Unfaltering dedication

Ochs was unique leader

By CYNTHIA GASNER

TORONTO —

Horav David Ochs who died recently in Toronto after a prolonged illness, will be remembered for his unfaltering dedication to halacha and his commitment to outreach in the community.

Rabbi Ochs was active in the Canadian Jewish Congress, the Jewish Vocational Service and many other organizations but believed in the separate integrity of kashruth and education — the two priorities in his life.

In 1946, Ochs, who had a pulpit in Manchester, England, attended an Agudah conference in New York. He came to Toronto for a brief visit with his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Reich.

He was invited to speak at the Torah Emeth Congregation on D'arcy St., where the pulpit had become vacant when Rabbi Jacob Kaminecki left to become the dean of a yeshiva in New York.

The late Itche Meyer Korolnek convinced Ochs to accept the vacant pulpit, and it is said that he paid the travel agent **not** to find transportation back to England for the rabbi as he feared he would not return to Canada. Mrs. Ochs was left to sell their possessions in England and travel alone to Canada with their three small children.

Ochs was born in a small town near Tarnopol, Poland. His family moved to Vienna where he entered a yeshiva and received smicha (ordination) at the age of 17.

Ochs met his wife in Vienna after her family fled from Poland. The rabbi had not received any secular education before his ordination.

He began to study privately and after passing the entrance examinations, he entered the University of Vienna where he received a doctorate in history. He was recognized as an outstanding scholar and described by his colleagues as a "great orator."

In 1939, Rabbi Ochs left his pulpit in Vienna and escaped to England with his family.

Nachman Shemen, the executive director of the Orthodox Division of CJC, remembers the day Ochs arrived in Toronto. "He was an extremely fine person," says Shemen, "and he was an ardent member of the Rabbinical Vaad Hakashruth since its inception, more than 35 years ago."

After 10 active years in Toronto on D'arcy St., and guiding the way for observant Jews to participate in a modern society, the respected rabbi had the first of a series of strokes he would suffer over the next 29 years.

Despite his debilitating illness, the rabbi provided the initiative and assisted with raising the funds for his day schools as they moved northward to Burnside Dr. and Viewmount Ave.

His family speaks proudly of the spirit of the patriarch. "My grandfather, to his credit, hung on as long as he could," says one of the rabbi's 17 grandchildren.

The Ochs' children are Susie Lowenthal, a teacher in New York, Rabbi Mordecai Ochs, the spiritual leader of Torah Emeth Congregation and Judy Bleich, who teaches Judaic studies and history at Touro College in New York.

In an interview with The CJN, Judy Bleich said that even before Israel became a state, her father had a concern for the land and he was a staunch supporter of Agudah Israel. She also noted her father's ongoing attempt to communicate with younger people, often dropping his Yiddish to speak to them in English.

Among the many local and international community leaders and rabbis who spoke of the loss to the Toronto community, Rabbi Joseph Kelman of the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda said that Rabbi Ochs lead the way in demonstrating that prewar Orthodoxy was compatible with modern society.

Rabbi Moshe Stern of the Shaarei Tefillah Congregation said that during the years of Ochs' active rabbinate, "he brought profound changes that influenced the direction of Jewish life of which so many benefit today. He left an indelible mark upon every facet of Jewish communal life and we are indeed a blessed community to have had him as one of our leaders."

The late Rabbi David Ochs (left), with former Ontario Premier Leslie Frost and Rabbi I.M. Levine, a member of the Knesset and minister of welfare on a state visit in Toronto in 1951.

Joyce Zemans named fine arts faculty dean at York University

TORONTO —

Joyce Zemans, professor of art history at York University, has been appointed dean of the faculty of fine arts.

Zemans, a member of Holy Blossom Temple, is a 10-year veteran of the faculty's visual arts department, chairing the department between 1975 and 1981.

She will direct the faculty which offers degree programs to move than 1,400 students in the departments of music, film/video, dance, theatre, visual arts and fine arts studies.

Zemans told The CJN that she sees her appointment as an opportunity to expand on the strengths of the program.

After graduating from the University of Toronto with an MA in art history in 1966, Zemans lectured in the subject at the Ontario College of Art and chaired the department of liberal arts studies.

She has served on a number of boards including the Art Gallery of Ontario where she is also a member of the contemporary acquisitions committee. In addition, she has served in numerous administrative positions with the Universities Art Association of Canada.

Women artists' impact

She is currently a member of the art advisory committee to the National Capital Commission in Ottawa and the advisory board to the Toronto Sculpture Garden.

Zemans is curating and preparing a catalogue for a major retrospective of the work of artist Christopher Pratt, to open in Vancouver this fall and in Toronto next February.

Her current research interests include the work of artist Bertram Brooker and the impact of women artists on the modern aesthetic.

Zemans is married to Fred Zemans, a York University professor at Osgoode Hall Law School. Fred Zemans is vice-president of Holy Blossom Temple and chairman of the law and social action committee, Canadian Jewish Congress. The Zemans have three children, Deborah, 23, David, 18, and Marcia, 16.

Joyce Zemans

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HENRY ZAGDANSKI HONOURED

Shaarei Shomayim Congregation and the Fashion Industry will jointly honour a prominent leader in communal life and the dress and sportswear business, **Henry Zagdanski**, on September 19. Several receptions will preceed the event, announced the organizers: shul President, **Martin Sable**; Bond Chairman, **Harold Spector** and Executive Director of the Toronto Dress and Sportswear Manufacturer's Guild, **Chris Kuzik.**

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All Presidents and Bond Chairmen for Hadassah-WIZO will be invited to the "Bond Launch" scheduled for September 18. Bond Chairman, **Norma Jordan**, says plans are underway for Bond drives in all Chapters.

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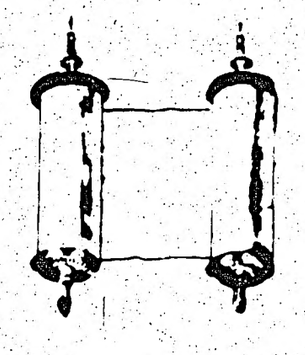

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Pinchas

Brains are not enough — the heart has to be there too.

A father approached the gabbai of a synagogue and asked that his son be allowed to recite the maftir in honor of his bar mitzvah.

The gabbai looked at the boy, a hulking young man whose beard had already sprouted.

"This is a bar mitzvah boy?" he asked. "How old is he?"

"Fifteen," answered the father.

"And just now you are reminded he needs a bar mitzvah?"

"I reminded myself when he was 11," answered the father, "but it took him four years to learn the maftir."

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A Jew has to feel with his heart. A mitzvah can't just be with by the book — there has to be simcha and fire.

Consider Pinchas, the grandson of Aaron the High Priest. Pinchas received one of the greatest honors in the Torah.

What was his great deed?

A Jewish prince named Zimri announced to the whole nation that he was taking a pagan princess into his tent.

Everyone wrung his hands. Everyone, that is, except Pinchas. He took a huge spear, ran into the tent, and killed both Zimri and the princess. Everyone had opinions; was it right or was it fanatic?

Declared the Almighty: "Pinchas, the son of Elazar, son of Aaron the priest, has turned my wrath away from the Children of Israel . . . Behold, I give unto him my convenant of peace. . . ."

G-d himself made a covenant with Pinchas. But why? After all, Pinchas had lost his temper. He had killed!

But, explains the Divrei Shaul, the Talmud relates how a certain pious Jew once held a great celebration and offered sacrifices on the altar out of joy. Why? He owned a field and one day, he accidentally forgot a bundle a wheat. By law, it is a mitzvah to leave the bundle for a poor person.

The man was so excited about his unintentional mitzvah that he celebrated.

"Why the excitement?" he was asked.

He answered: "Every mitzvah I do, I plan. But this mitzvah came by itself, by accident — a free gift!

The same can be said of Pinchas. He committed an explosive, violent act. Had Pinchas asked Moses, "Moses, should I attack?" Moses would have said nothing. And if someone had tried to avenge the killings, Pinchas would have been defenceless.

Pinchas didn't ask. He felt. The blood rushed to his face and he flouted and debased the Torah in front of all.

He didn't ask. He burned and exploded!

Sometimes, we're too cool, too collected, too literate. We have to burn for Yiddishkeit; feel for others not just with our minds but with our hearts.

Love isn't simple. But it could be easy as ABC. Good Shabbes.

Winnipeg school's 75th birthday reunion

Alumni flock to St. John's High

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG — Incredible.

That's the word used most to describe the recent 75th birthday reunion of graduates of St. John's High School (popularly known as St. John's Tech). St. John's was the principal north end high school and was attended in the "old days" mainly by Jews.

Forty-five hundred graduates came from six countries on four continents for the celebration which, in the words of TV star Monty Hall, the school's best known alumnus, was "the biggest and best high school reunion ever held anywhere, anytime."

There was a pre-reunion reunion at Kelekis, Winnipeg's favorite north end restaurant (the best potato chips in the world!), photos and various displays in the school (which has been rebuilt) and a banquet and "galaxy of stars" at the Winnipeg Convention Centre.

Max Yan (class of 1935) felt "instantaneous joy" at seeing old friends, some for the first time in 40 years, still alive and vital. "It wasn't just classmates," said the former associate director of research for Abitibi Central Research. "There were also my Zionist contacts and 'shiff breders and shvesters.' It was a lot of fun."

For Yan's classmate, Ed Parker, of Toronto, the timing was right. "It was much bigger than I expected," he said.

Public relations man Parker recalled operating a St. John's High newspaper with CJN editor Maurice Lucow. He also recalled widely-respected St. John's principal G. J. Reeve (1925-52) who left a strong imprint on the school. "Mr. Reeve knew he had very enterprising, success-oriented pupils and he challenged us," said Parker. "We are culturally motivated by our parents to do well and qualify for university."

Toronto lawyer Muni Basman (class of 53) was so excited at being back in Winnipeg he borrowed two bicycles and he and his wife, Carol, spent three days cycling through the streets of the north end revisiting his old haunts. "It's been a spectacular weekend," he said. "The effort put into this reunion is beautiful, fantastic, incredible. The organizers are to be commended."

Samuel Adelkind (class of 22) was attracted by the prospect of seeing old classmate Samuel Hayakawa, former U.S. senator and president of UCLA at Berkeley. "We were good friends in school and I've followed his career," said the still active Toronto chartered accountant. "I can't think of enough adjectives to describe this reunion. It's unbelievable."

Beryl Moser of Montreal (class of 49) was here for a YMHA reunion two years ago. "I wanted to see some of my non-Jewish friends again as well," said Moser, whose mother and brother live in Winnipeg. "This was tremendous," she said. "The organization was fantastic." The highlight for her was meeting cousins from Calgary and Norwalk, Conn., for the first time.

"The task of organizing this was phenomenal," said Guelph, Ont., resource teacher Barbara Murray (class of 68). "The energy, time and tzedekah the organizers contributed shows a true commitment of heart and soul."

Ontario provincial government employee Brian Burstein (class of 70) had mixed feelings. "I was a little disappointed more of my classmates didn't return but generally I was pleased."

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By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

As some 200 senior citizens gathered recently at the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living to celebrate Canada Day and their victory at getting the federal government to back down from partially deindexing old age pensions, a new spectre has come to haunt them: the recent removal of federal sales tax exemptions on many over-the-counter drugs and health care items.

During a day-long outdoor celebration at the centre, Dr. Arnold Iscove, president of the 5,000 member Association of Jewish Seniors, told the crowd that the taxing of some health products "is a bigger issue" for seniors than Finance Minister Michael Wilson's proposal to partially deindex Old Age Security payments.

Wilson's May budget announced that candy, soft drinks, pet food and certain health goods such as medicated creams, lotions, shampoos, soaps and bandages will no longer be exempt from the federal sales tax, currently 10%.

On top of that, the federal sales tax on most goods will go up to 11% on Jan. 1.

Iscove said that since non-prescription drugs and products are not covered by drug plans, seniors will be forced to pay more for basic health items they need, like aspirin, allergy tablets, medicated syrups, ace bandages and special soaps and creams.

"We're going to try to get that changed," Iscove declared. "The PCs are working for the rich people."

He also accused the government of working in cahoots with large drug manufacturers in trying to get rid of cheaper, generic drugs.

Iscove's group was one of many seniors' organizations that banded together in protest over the deindexing proposal, as outlined in the budget.

After marching on Parliament Hill and causing an unprecedented hue and cry for weeks, Canada's seniors forced the government to back down and retain full indexing of pensions to inflation [CJN, July 4].

"That's just one instance of what senior power can do," Iscove told the cheering golden agers.

But he conceded it is unlikely Ottawa will back off from introducing tax on the health products.

"I don't think they'll back down because it affects the whole population, not just seniors," he told The CJN following his talk.

A proposal the seniors will make to the government, Iscove said, is instituting a nominal year-end refund that would cover increased sales taxes, similar to a current provincial scheme.

A recent report confirmed by the Canadian Council on Social Welfare estimated that all Canadians will pay about $450 more in federal and excise taxes per year.

According to social worker Suzanne Lando, the Bernard Betel Centre's social action committee is also involved in fighting any attempts to test experimental drugs on senior citizens in any of Toronto's seven homes for the aged.

Disabled shouldn't fear traveling

By
MARK DODICK

TORONTO —

Travel for the physically disabled can be as rewarding an experience as it is for thousands of others if proper planning is done before the trip begins.

That is the encouraging conclusion of participants at an information session on travel for the disabled sponsored by the Jewish Community Centre's Task Force on Jewish Persons with Disabilities.

Ron Fine, president of Corson Travel, was one of the panel of four who spoke on strategies for easier traveling. He advises that handicapped persons make their travel arrangements through travel agents.

"They get to know what your needs are," Fine says, noting that it is unlikely for anyone else to be able to deal consistently with the same hotel or airline personnel.

"All the airlines have certain rules and regulations regarding wheelchairs," Fine says, "but they have all improved over the years." El Al has been especially accommodating, "but the travel business is still at the bottom rung in dealing with disabled travel."

According to Boyd Haan, owner of the Travel Desk, "nobody has to be afraid to travel if they are handicapped but they have to have an adventurous spirit."

Haan is chairman of Assist a group which tries to make travel for the disabled more accessible, and a founding director of the Society for the Advancement of Travel for the Handicapped, an organization which distributes information and tries to influence government legislation affecting travel.

Haan became experienced in dealing with travel for the handicapped when he handled services for handicapped visitors to the 1976 Olympics. He suggests that those who are recently handicapped take a short trip with other disabled persons to learn from experience.

Haan says other considerations for travel for the handicapped are transportation to and from hotels, airports and other places, and other facilities such as accessible washrooms and Braille markings in hotels.

Attendants who accompany disabled persons can travel free in Canada on trains and buses and receive a reduced rate on planes if the airline medical examiner agrees an assistant is necessary, Haan adds.

Jerry Korman, a paraplegic and a member of the JCC task force is an experienced traveler with several trips to Miami as well as a cruise under his belt.

Korman cautions the disabled traveler to be scrupulous in his arrangements: "You've got to investigate, make sure things are accessible, that the description equals the facilities."

Not only should the elevator go to all floors in the hotel, Korman advises, but check out that the pool is accessible too. "It's not going to be easy, but you can still have a good time."

Helen Wolfe, programming coordinator for special needs at the JCC, and a disabled person herself echoes Korman's commments: "I think that you shouldn't be afraid of traveling because it's difficult. For a disabled person it is more difficult, but it's always worthwhile. The major component is planning and patience."

The travel planning committee of the task force is now working on a day trip for the disabled for the end of the summer. But travel is only one of many activites the task force is involved with.

For more information about the programs and services available contact either Helen Wolfe or Susan Fleisher, supervisor of special needs, at the JCC at 636-1880 or TTY 636-5510

Canadian theatrical circus to make Toronto premiere

TORONTO —

The Sun Circus (Cirque du Soleil), a Canadian theatrical circus, will makes its Toronto premiere at Harbourfront from July 27 to Aug. 11 as part of its Tour 85 in Ontario and Quebec.

The European-style circus, which originates in Quebec City, features theatrical acrobatics, gymnastics, balancing acts, tightrope walking, rope gymnastics and stilt-walking, all accompanied with music from its own stage band with appearances by clowns.

The circus will perform at Harbourfront's Maple Leaf Quay, just east of Spadina. Tickets are $10, $8 and $6 for adults and $6, $4 and $3 for children (12 years and under) and are available by calling Teletron at 872-1212 and Bass at 872-2277. Tickets are available at Ticketron and Bass outlets.

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Organizations and People

Vancouverite named to Order of Canada

Saltzman honored for community relations role

By
RON CSILLAG

VANCOUVER —
Morris Saltzman is still trying to figure out who may have nominated him to be a Member of the Order of Canada.

But Saltzman, the 67-year-old retired businessman known as the senior statesman of Vancouver's Jewish community, isn't looking the gift-horse in the mouth.

In a telephone interview with The Canadian Jewish News, Saltzman said he was "really thrilled and honored," not to mention surprised, when both Vancouver daily newspapers telephoned him early one morning to tell him he had been awarded the country's highest distinction.

He suspects it could have been someone at Canadian Jewish Congress who put him up for consideration, "but that's pure guesswork."

In any case, being in the company of the cream of Canadian society, he said, is "quite a privilege."

Saltzman, brother of well known television weatherman Percy Saltzman, was one of two Jews named recently as Members of the Order. The other was Montreal architect Phyllis Lambert.

A total of 74 Canadians will be invested into the Order in ceremonies at Government House Oct. 30.

Former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau was named Companion, the Order's highest eschelon.

Saltzman has been active on almost every level of Vancouver's Jewish community and in fence building among the city's multi-ethnic population.

At various times, he served as president of a B'nai B'rith lodge, and was executive director of both Vancouver's Jewish Community Council and of the British Columbia branch of Canadian Jewish Congress.

He was the founding director of the Immigrant Services Society of BC, an organziation that offers immediate help for immigrants, and of the province's Multicultural Society, under which he set up the Alternatives for Racism Association.

He stepped down from CJC in 1981.

Saltzman will be invested into the Order for having "played a key role in the establishment of excellent multicultural and ecumenical relations in the greater Vancouver community," according to a statement from the office of Governor-General Jeanne Sauve.

In addition to his work in the Jewish community, Saltzman has long promoted better relations among Vancouver's many ethnic groups.

He was involved in Canada's taking in of the "boat people," ethnic Chinese refugees who crammed creaky boats to escape Vietnam.

He has established interfaith dialogues between Vancouver's Sikh, Hindu, Baha'i and general communities and has been active on the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews in, among other things, setting up symposia in schools on the Holocaust.

After the airing of the television movie Holocaust a few years ago, Saltzman worked closely with Vancouver's German community, at its request, to build a better understanding between Germans and Jews. Saltzman told The CJN he thought the film contributed to harming race relations rather than helping them.

In 1942, after his tour of duty in the army and air force, Saltzman almost immediately became involved in an Anglican church group that helped wounded veterans.

In the early 50s, he became president of his B'nai B'rith lodge and later was active in the JCC.

He estimates he devoted as much as 40 hours a week to volunteer work, on top of his regular clothing business, from which he retired in 1969.

With more free time on his hands, Saltzman worked on almost every interfaith, ecumenical and community project in the city.

These days, he said, he keeps busy with strictly volunteer work with the Jewish National Fund, B'nai B'rith and with children who have learning disabilities.

Being honored is not new to Saltzman. He was the first recipient of the Canadian Council of Christian and Jews' Good Service Medal and Pioneer Women Na'amat have dedicated a social service centre in Israel to him.

Next autumn, he and his wife Mildred will go to Ottawa to pick up "the highlight" of a life devoted to the community.

New member of the Order of Canada Morris Saltzman and his wife Mildred.

Tributes paid to Phil White for 25 years' service in politics

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
After 25 years in the political arena you tend to make a lot of friends as York controller Phil White discovered recently when about 400 people gathered at the Inn on the Park to pay tribute to him.

After a brief reception at which Toronto mayor Art Eggleton welcomed all to the affair, guests settled back for an enjoyable evening with plenty of food and gab.

Former Metro Toronto chairman Paul Godfrey was on hand to extend best wishes to his "friend and colleague" and to thank White for contributing to the welfare of city of York and to the entire Metro community.

"Its only through the efforts of people like Phil that we as a municipality are talked about, written about in newspapers and magazines and shown on the electronic media of North America," said the Toronto Sun's publisher.

Godfrey thanked White for putting a "major portion of his life" into the community to help Toronto achieve international status.

"I can tell you that Phil White has contributed not only to his own municipality of York...but as a dedicated and caring person to the affairs of Metro Toronto."

Metro Chairman Dennis Flynn said that while he has not always sided with White, a former York mayor on Metro issues, he has great respect for him.

"I would be a terrible politician and so would he if we agreed so much that we were considered to be in each other's pockets," said Flynn. "One should never fear the opinions of a politician who has researched his work and understands what he is doing and understands his constituency and knows how to deliver for them."

Mayor Bruce Sinclair of Etobicoke brought greetings from his council and reminisced about his experiences with White.

"He has done a great job for his home city of York and has left his mark on the place," said Sinclair.

Master of ceremonies Mendel Green read greetings from Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, John Turner and MP Roland de Corneille.

In thanking all for attending the dinner White reflected on the past 25 years at York and Metro council. At the same time he assured the current York mayor that he would not seek the mayoralty in this fall's municipal election, but would instead carry on as controller.

"It has been basically a labor of love," said White. "I approached this evening with a deep sense of humility because I had the opportunity of serving the public the best way I know how. That is by listening to them, by preferring consensus to confrontation and by doing what I think is the best for the community and the people.

"Twenty-five years seems like a dream," White added. "York and Metro have progressed significantly. To have had some little influence in this process has been exciting and personally rewarding for me. Metro has risen from relative obscurity to a municipality that is a model for the world."

Baroness Gunzburg dies in Paris after long illness

PARIS —
Baroness Aileen Minda Bronfman de Gunzburg, the eldest of the late Samuel Bronfman's four children, died here last week after a long illness.

Born in 1925 in Montreal, she was the wife of Baron Alain de Gunzburg, chairman of the board of G. H. Mumm & Co., the champagne distillery. Although most recently a resident of New York City, she lived for many years in France and was buried in Paris. She retained her Canadian citizenship through the years abroad.

Mrs. de Gunzburg received a BA from Smith College in Massachusetts, and MA in political science and history from Columbia University in New York, and a PhD in art history from the University of Paris. Before her marriage, she worked briefly as a researcher.

She established the ASDA Foundation, active in Canada, France and the United States, in support of research in the arts. She also served on the International Council of the Museum of Modern Art in New York and was a member of the board of the Friends of the Louvre and of the Musee d-Orsay in Paris.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two sons, Jean, 30, and Charles, 24; her mother Saidye Bronfman, brothers Edgar and Charles Bronfman and sister Phyllis Lambert.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in her name may be made to the Regional Chemotherapy Research Account, c/o Dr. William Ensminger, room 3709, Upjohn Center, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48109.

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Organizations and People

45th anniversary of Zionist Revisionist leader's death

Jabotinsky: "Ray of hope in darkness of exile"

A memorial program sponsored by Herut Canada marking the 45th anniversary of the death of Zionist Revisionist leader Zeev Jabotinsky will be held at 8 p.m., Wednesday, July 17, at the Lodzer Centre, 12 Heaton St. in North York. The keynote speaker will be writer AMNON AJZENSTADT who gives his personal thoughts on the Jewish thinker, poet and freedom fighter in the following article.

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To my compatriots — the oppressed Jews in prewar Poland as to the whole of Eastern European Jewry — the periodical appearances of Zeev Jobtinsky meant an inspirational, infusion of cheer, courage and dignity — a ray of hope in the darkness of exile, discrimination and vitriolic anti-semitism of the 1930s.

His speaking engagements in Warsaw, Lodz, Cracow, Vilno, Riga, Kovno and Bucharest — were truly indelible, emotional experiences for Jews who heard his electrifiying symphony of words about the Jewish fate and the ongoing drama of Israel among the nations.

The charismatic founder of the first Jewish Legion since Bar-Kochba was actively involved — under the command of British General Allenby — in retrieving Palestine from the Turks in 1917. He was surely a one-of-a-kind man in the shaping of modern Zionist thought and in inspiring post World War I generations who were committed to the idea of national, Jewish liberation.

Blessed with unique talents in speaking and writing, Jabotinsky said the time had arrived for the Israelites to become the masters of their own destiny. He was the most daring of all the other contemporary Zionist leaders in clearly stating the goal of the Zionist Revisionist movement as sovereign Jewish statehood on both sides of the Jordan River.

Jabotinsky did not believe in being deceptive and vague about Jewish aspirations to the historic homeland. He was staunchly convinced in the moral justness of the Jewish ambitions and psychic yearning to come back home from dispersion, persecution, second- and third-class citizenships in foreign countries.

Yet he was not politically myopic to the Arab question. He spoke of the Arabs and their culture with understanding and gentlemanly respect. He never said about them anything discourteous or derogatory,

Zeev Jabotinsky

recognizing their dominating role in the Middle East, wishing them well and foretelling their success in their passion to unshackle the chains of colonialism.

But he simultaneously emphasized again and again the right of the Jewish people to have their own part in the cradle of their civilization's beginnings guaranteed to them not by only by the mortals of the League of Nations, but by the eternal covenant with the Almighty.

The spectre of the Kishinev pogrom — which he covered for the Russian press as a young journalist — haunted him as he saw the thuggery of the Iron-Guards in Romania, by anti-Jewish ranting of hoodlums in Warsaw and of course by the storm troopers goose-stepping in Germany parading and singing the Horst Wessel song: "When Jewish blood from the knife drips then it's doubly good. . . ."

With the sensitivity of an eyewitness who had seen the bodies of the Jewish victims in Bessarabia, he felt intuitively that Adolf Hitler was not just threatening to eradicate the "Juden" for political blackmail, but was diabolically serious.

And so he stood before the British Peel Commission on Feb. 11, 1937, sounding a powerful alarm about the mandate government's failure to pave the way for a Jewish homeland. "Surely," he admitted, "there is an Arab claim confronting the Jewish claim of millions to be saved. However, in the face of what is happening in Europe, and with all the accumulated territory the Arabs already have — it is like the claim of appetite versus the claim of starvation."

Back in Poland with its 3½ million Jews, he feverishly worked on rescue contingencies of which the most important one was "illegal" immigration of Eretz Israel. Tens of thousands did comply with his advice to go to Palestine, making use of his network of clandestine transportation arrangements, arriving in refurbished freight boats to the Holy Land's shores where quite a few became part of the Etzel underground and many more later joined the Jewish brigade to fight the Nazis.

The next most urgent point on the crisis agenda was to influence the people of the Book to learn the art of self-defence and doing battle with any adversary who would dare to assault and destroy Jewish life. There was a psychological wall to be broken through of centuries of embedded Jewish distaste for physical violence and bloodletting.

Learn how to handle weapons

Jabotinsky kept on unrelenting in the spoken and written word: "Children, learn how to handle weapons. . . . Because a catalysmic catastrophe is coming and you have only one alternative to liquidate the Diaspora before the Diaspora liquidates you. The call of the hour is to be ready to resist and cope with a barbaric enemy which intends to uproot the Jewish people of Europe."

Jabotinsky was vilified and denounced by official institutions as a panic-maker and militarist who was talking irresponsibly about sabre and gun adventures, endangering Jewish economic positions and security.

At the same time, he was elected as president of the new Zionist Organization formed in Vienna in 1935. He proclaimed in the first paragraph of his newly-formulated constitution: "The newly created Zionist Organization takes up as its mission to implant the sanctity of the Torah into the life of the Jewish nation."

He became the only Jewish political leader to deviate from the secular concept of Zionist self-emancipation by adding to his blueprint of national redemption the Messianic quality of religiosity and faith in the God-given Sinai principles.

Jabotinsky understood half a century ago that to secure the endurance of his foreseen Jewish state, the acceptance of the yoke of the Kingdom of Heaven was an absolute imperative to the survival and flourishing of the Jewish nation in its rebirth from the ashes of the Holocaust, which he correctly predicted.

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Dori to open at Leah Posluns

A NY impresario brings play on Herzl to life

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

The dream of a world-famous show business impresario to do a musical play on the life of Theodor Herzl is being realized at the Leah Posluns Theatre.

The play is named Dori (Herzl's nickname) and the impresario is Eric Blau, of New York, the man who produced Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris.

For years, he said, he has nurtured the idea of a play on Herzl and he decided to bring it to life in Toronto after staging Jacques Brel at the Leah Posluns last year and being encouraged by the theatre's artistic director, Reva Stern-Tward.

"Something magical happened here between this theatre and Eric Blau," Ms. Tward told an invited audience of 200 at the theatre recently. They were treated to a workshop presentation of Dori and gave it a warm and enthusiastic reception.

Dori will be given its premiere at the Leah Posluns in October where it is scheduled for a 4-week run.

In the audience as well was Dr. Reuben Hoppenstein, 51, a New York neurosurgeon, who is helping to finance a Broadway production of Dori slated for the fall of 1986.

Hoppenstein told The CJN he hopes to raise $5 million from backers in U.S. and Canada to make the Broadway production possible.

"We're doing this in Toronto with an all-Canadian cast and we're well into auditioning," Blau said. "We've already cast Tom Kneebone for one of the principal roles.

"It will be a big show, with full sets, a cast of 35 and all the trimmings," he added.

The New York producer who looks more like your favorite uncle than a showbiz whiz knows his own way around a stage, as he acted as an effective narrator for the workshop performance. It featured a New York cast who flew in for the special show, including Elliot Weiss, its musical director, who wrote the music for Dori to accompany Blau's book and lyrics.

Though Dori is in too early a stage to be reviewed, it is possible to say that Blau's concept is a daring one in terms of theatrical art, yet never wanders far from the central focus of Herzl's life — to establish a Jewish homeland in Israel.

It's also possible to predict that the lyrics and music of at least three of the numbers will set Jewish hearts throbbing as they have not done since Fiddler on the Roof. They are "Yes, They Bleed, Yes Indeed They Bleed," (a reference to Shakespeare's famous line), "The World Without Us," and "We're Dancing In The Temple That Has Never Been Destroyed."

In a charming introduction to the show, Blau said he went to Israel to get Prime Minister Ben Gurion's reaction to a play on Herzl's life. "Why did you come from America to ask me about Herzl, ask about me," Ben Gurion told him. As the Jewish leader kept evading the point, and the interview was nearly over, Blau said the following dialogue took place:

Blau: Was Herzl important at all?

Ben Gurion: Yes, he was important.

Blau: How important?

Ben Gurion: He is the most important Jew since Moses.

Blau: Why?

Ben Gurion: Because he made one people out of the Jews.

Jokingly, Blau said Dori was 5,000 years in the making, and one of the scenes in a Turkish cabaret in a graveyard is the one that he and collaborator Weiss like the best as they haven't written it yet.

Dr. Hoppenstein, Dori's principal backer so far, specializes in microsurgery of the spine in New York, and is on the staff of Mt. Sinai Hospital and the Orthopedic Institute. He is a native of South Africa and came to the U.S. 26 years ago. He once wrote a musical at medical college in Johannesburg, but has never dabbled in show business before.

At the reception he hosted following the Toronto performance, his eyes lit up when he talked about Herzl. "The world needs to know much more about this man," he said.

Both Blau and Hoppenstein said they hoped some Canadians in the Leah Posluns production would also make it to the NY stage.

Blau told the audience Herzl was a journalist, a novelist, a playwright, a foreign correspondent, a fashion plate, a dandy and a roue "and a most unlikely person to come out with the idea of a Jewish state based on a political movement instead of a religious movement." The inherent contradictions were what set Blau off on the long trail which finally led to Dori.

Introduced by Ms. Tward when the performance ended, Hoppenstein said he commissioned the show a year ago "and our seed has grown into a field of flowers." He thanked those present for their warm response.

Those who know the bittersweet fascination of Jacques Brel will not be disappointed in the music and lyrics of Dori as the story of Herzl's struggle for a Jewish homeland is unfolded. It appears to leave nothing out, not his marriage breakup . . . not the charges of traitor which rung out against him at one point.

As an exhausted Herzl nears the end of his life, he makes a final speech to an audience which includes many non-Jews and decides to speak of anti-semitism.

"One Jew is an oddity," he said. "One hundred is a blessing, 1,000 is a ghetto, and 100,000 is a disaster."

The performers were Joseph Neal, who played Herzl, Joseph Masiell, Mike Champaign, Valerie Piacente and Elliot Weiss, who sang as well as playing the piano accompaniment.

Super X drug project

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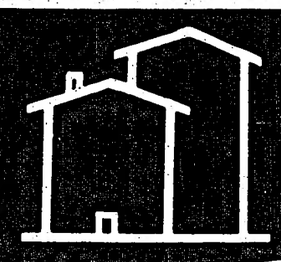

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Philatelic post to Ben David

TORONTO —

Arieh Ben David of Toronto was recently elected president of the World Philatelic Congress of Israel-Holy Land-Judaica Societies.

The Congress is an umbrella organization of 12 philatelic societies with constituent organizations in Europe, Israel, Canada, South Africa and the United States. The election took place at Israphil '85, an exhibit featuring stamp collections on exhibit as well as various symposia and lectures.

The new president lost no time in mobilizing Congress members to prepare for the organization's special 20th anniversary presentation at Ameripex '86, an international stamp exhibition held every 10 years.

Ben David, who at 71 describes himself as "a driving person" and "a perfectionist," says one of his foremost aims is to reactivate publishing of philatelic handbooks which describe the postal and political history of stamps.

Arieh Ben David

The former vice-president of Shopsy's said he was committed to involving youth in Israel philately and in convincing the Federation of Philatelic Societies in Israel to donate Israeli stamps for distribution to children at Ameripex.

Ben David told The CJN his connection to stamp collecting goes back 65 years, when as a child he became interested in the drawings of stamps and arranging them according to topics. As president, he said, he hopes to kindle interest in philately among Israeli youth as well.

Romanians in BBC lodge

TORONTO —

The newest lodge to join the B'nai B'rith Canada family, Dr. W. Filderman Lodge No. 3242, is comprised of members born in Romania, and will deal with issues that affect the Romanian Jewish community here and in Romania.

Of special interest to the lodge, which officially received its charter at a recent luncheon ceremony in Toronto, is the issue of war criminals and the manifestation of anti-semitic groups such as the Iron Guard which began as a Facist movement in pre-war Romania and allegedly still publishes hate literature today, says the Lodge's founding member, Samuel Bacher.

Bacher is well equipped to spearhead this project. He lived in Romania until 1963 and served as a judge from 1935 to 1940. When the Facists took power, Bacher was put out of office because he was a Jew.

In 1947, he was appointed war criminals prosecutor, and then went on to become head of the Romanian attorney-general's office. In 1963, Bacher moved to Israel and practiced law in Tel Aviv. He came to Canada in 1971.

Anyone interested in obtaining more information about the lodge should contact Samuel Bacher at (416) 961-0250.

Samuel Bacher

RC funding bill interests OJAEE

TORONTO — The Ontario Jewish Association for Equity in Education (OJAEE) is considering making application to intervene in the court hearing to determine the constitutionality of plans to fully fund Ontario's Roman Catholic separate high schools, says Murray Segal, chairman of OJAEE.

Liberal education minister Sean Conway introduced a bill in the Ontario Legislature last week to implement the promise of full funding made by then premier William Davis more than a year ago.

Attorney General Ian Scott immediately announced that the bill would be referred to Ontario's highest court, the Court of Appeals, to determine whether it is "inconsistent with the provisions of the Constitution of Canada including the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms."

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"It was all worth it"

400 return to Wagar High for its first reunion

By JOEL YANOFSKY

MONTREAL — Just two days after the high school year officially ended, Wagar High School in Cote St. Luc was crowded with students again.

But this time most of the boys had more hair on their faces than on their heads and most of the girls had to find teenage babysitters to stay with their own children. Everyone was at least 15-20 years older.

Wagar reopened its doors to welcome back its graduating classes from 1965-1971 for its first and, according to chief organizer Eric Ludwick, "probably last" high school reunion.

"There was a great deal of work involved, but seeing the turnout tonight (about 400 people) it was all worh it. It's very gratifying," Ludwig said.

Ludwick, class of 67, got the idea for the reunion after running into someone be hadn't seen for 19 years. "I really wanted to see what people were doing with their lives . . . I remember I went home and told my wife it's time for a reunion."

Word-of-mouth drew most of the people to the reunion, along with radio and newspaper advertising and a good deal of research by an 18-member organizing committee. There were 50-75 former students from Ottawa and a similar number from Toronto.

"Just to show you how these things spread, I even got a telegram from Australia — from an ex-student who apologized for not being able to attend, but who said she was with us in spirit," Ludwick said.

Although there was a shortage of celebrities at the reunion, Ludwick pointed out that there were a lot of success stories.

"You'll find most of the people here are professionals: doctors, lawyers and accountants. Or, like me, in the rag trade, the textile industry."

And everybody seemed to have their own special reasons for returning to Wagar. Peter Speyer, class of 67, "wanted to see how ugly everyone got" while Elizabeth Bruker Zwicker, class of 68, came in from Toronto with the idea of doing a freelance article on the reunion.

For David Rubinstein, class of 69, it was an opportunity to reminisce about the 1967 strike. "On a cold December day, 2,900 students marched out to protest an unfair exam schedule. It was the first time high school students did that kind of thing. Leave it to the Jews in the west end to get upset and say that's it, we're not going to take this.

"They changed the exam schedule and later the dress code, but I got suspended for being one of the instigators. It wasn't a total loss, though, during the suspension I spent a lot of time at the Montreal Pool Room and became a crackerjack pool player."

With the music of the 60s playing in the background and the walls of the gymnasium decorated with posters of the Beatles and Marilyn Monroe as well as page after page of photos of eager young graduates, it was hard to find anyone who had negative memories.

For those who returned, it was a chance to catch up on gossip, renew old acquaintances and remember a simpler time.

After all, high school reunions are not about high school, they are about memories and memory has a way of making the past seem better than it was.

Reena clients and staff boogie with a member of the crew (in Mickey Mouse T-shirt) of the Empire Sandy. [Miriam Chinsky photo]

Ship a treat for the handicapped

By MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO — The lure of the sailing ship, combined with some updated magic, recently provided pure pleasure for close to 100 mentally handicapped adults when they spent a day aboard the Empire Sandy, as guests of owner-builder Norm Rogers.

Rogers' niece Maureen Heath is an art instructor with the Reena Foundation, and her concern for her clients prompted Rogers to offer them and their friends from the Metro Association for the Mentally Retarded, a day-long trip at no cost.

Not only was the ship made available, but a 7-man crew including the owner's son Eric, who captained the excursion, as well as disc jockeys George Bordo and Ian (Clarence) Clarke, from Universal Sound, volunteered their time.

The Empire Sandy was constructed by the British admiralty in 1943 as a wartime ocean-going rescue and salvage tug. Operated privately in the Great Lakes after the war, it was consigned to a scrapyard when steam power became too expensive.

Rogers, a "boat bum" who has built cruisers and tour boats, saved it from the scrap heap when he bought it 10 years ago.

He spent eight years renovating it, removing the 13-storey superstructure, gutting the interior, and rebuilding it as a 3-masted schooner modeled after the 1850 style sailing ships, but with modern technology.

Last summer it sailed to Quebec City for the gathering of the tall ships. It has a capacity of 250 persons, and Rogers operates it as a charter boat out of Toronto harbor.

The day chosen for Reena clients was flawless — bright blue sky, sun glinting on the waves — as they mounted the gangplank, some eager, others hesitant, several on unreliable limbs, helped by staff.

Aboard ship, several leaned on the gunnels to look out over the water, many found cozy spots on deck, a few daring souls climbed up on top of the cabins to catch every bit of sunshine.

As the ship moved out into the lake under full sail, there was a kind of release. It was like being in a separate world with nothing but sky and water, and no curious onlookers.

A potluck buffet, prepared by Reena staff, was set out in one of the lounges, and there was music throughout the day.

A couple of people began to dance tentatively. More were urged on by staff. A sailor wearing a purple pith helmet, blue shirt and white pants, wiggled by, then he wiggled back, and finally he joined in. He was built like a football linebacker . . . but how he could dance!

Before the day's end, clients and staff were bobbing, twisting, clapping to the beat. No one was unaffected. It was a day of absolute happiness.

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(From left) Yossi Skorecki, Dovid Rubinoff, Yasha Moshinsky and Ayelet Grosbein recently completed the academic program at Shearim Hebrew Day School and will now continue their studies in regular schools. [Graphic Artists photo]

Four honored

A special day for students

TORONTO —

Four students of Shearim Hebrew Day School took part in a special assembly recently as they prepared to depart the school.

Shearim is a Jewish day school which provides an individualized program in both Judaic and general studies for children with learning disabilities.

Its program is designed to return students as soon as possible to a regular, mainstream classroom.

At the assembly four students were honored as they prepare to leave Shearim to attend programs in regular schools.

Dovid Rubinoff will be attending grade 9 at Ner Israel Yeshiva, Ayelet Grosbein will be attending grade 8 at Charles Best Junior High School, Yasha Moshinsky will be attending grade 4 at Associated Hebrew Day Schools and Yossi Skorecki will be in grade 3 at Netivot HaTorah.

In the past four years, 10 other Shearim students have been successfully mainstreamed to other public, private and Hebrew day schools.

Toronto honors Exton, Posluns for community volunteer work

TORONTO —

Two prominent members of Toronto's Jewish community, Eric Exton and Abe Posluns, were honored recently by the City of Toronto for their varied volunteer achievements.

Eric Exton, president of Seel Enterprises Ltd., a Toronto mortgage and property management firm, was one of 118 people (one for each year of Confederation) awarded the Canadian Birthday Achievement Award at City Hall.

Exton, 65, was trained as a chemist but had to flee his native city of Dresden, Germany on the eve of World War II. He lost 35 members of his family in the Holocaust.

He is involved in a myriad of communal organizations and estimates he has devoted about half his time over the last 15 years to volunteer activities.

He has worked on the campaign of United Jewish Appeal and is past national president of the Jewish National Fund.

As well, Exton is chairman of the board (emeritus) of the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care and Chairman for Life of the Canadian Friends of Boys Town Jerusalem.

He has served in various capacities at Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith Canada.

Apart from Jewish causes, Exton also serves on the boards of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra, the Shaw Festival and other artistic bodies.

The other Jewish recipient was Abe Posluns, who, from 1944 until 1976, was president and chairman of the Baycrest Centre and today is Honorary Chairman for Life.

Posluns, chairman of Superior Acceptance Corp. Ltd., a Toronto financial firm, served for seven years as chairman of the Ontario Mental Health Foundation and was involved for over 25 years in the annual United Way fund raising campaign. In 1964, he became the first Jew ever to chair the drive.

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Fashion

The good and the bad

In final analysis, there's only two types of shoppers

Fashion authority SAUL KORMAN reports regularly to The CJN on current fashion trends. Korman is president of Korry's Clothiers To Gentlemen, in Toronto.

By SAUL KORMAN

TORONTO — Shopping has become a science. What we once thought a simple matter of knowing what you want and then buying it has turned into a complex socio-system, replete with its own research statistics, market analyses and consumer calibrations.

A shopper isn't just a shopper anymore: he's been divided into different categories. There's the "compulsive shopper," the "planning purchaser," and a host of other designations, each based on very specific psychological profiles.

I hate to buck the trend, but I really don't think all this is necessary. To my mind, there are only two types of shoppers, just as there are only two types of retailers: the good ones and the bad ones.

In this day and age, there is no excuse for a customer who allows himself to be browbeaten, bullied or cajoled into making a major mistake.

Every man must assume the ultimate responsibility for his own purchasing decisions, even if it concerns nothing more than "picking up a few clothes."

That phrase, I'm afraid, sums up one of the worst misconceptions men make about themselves.

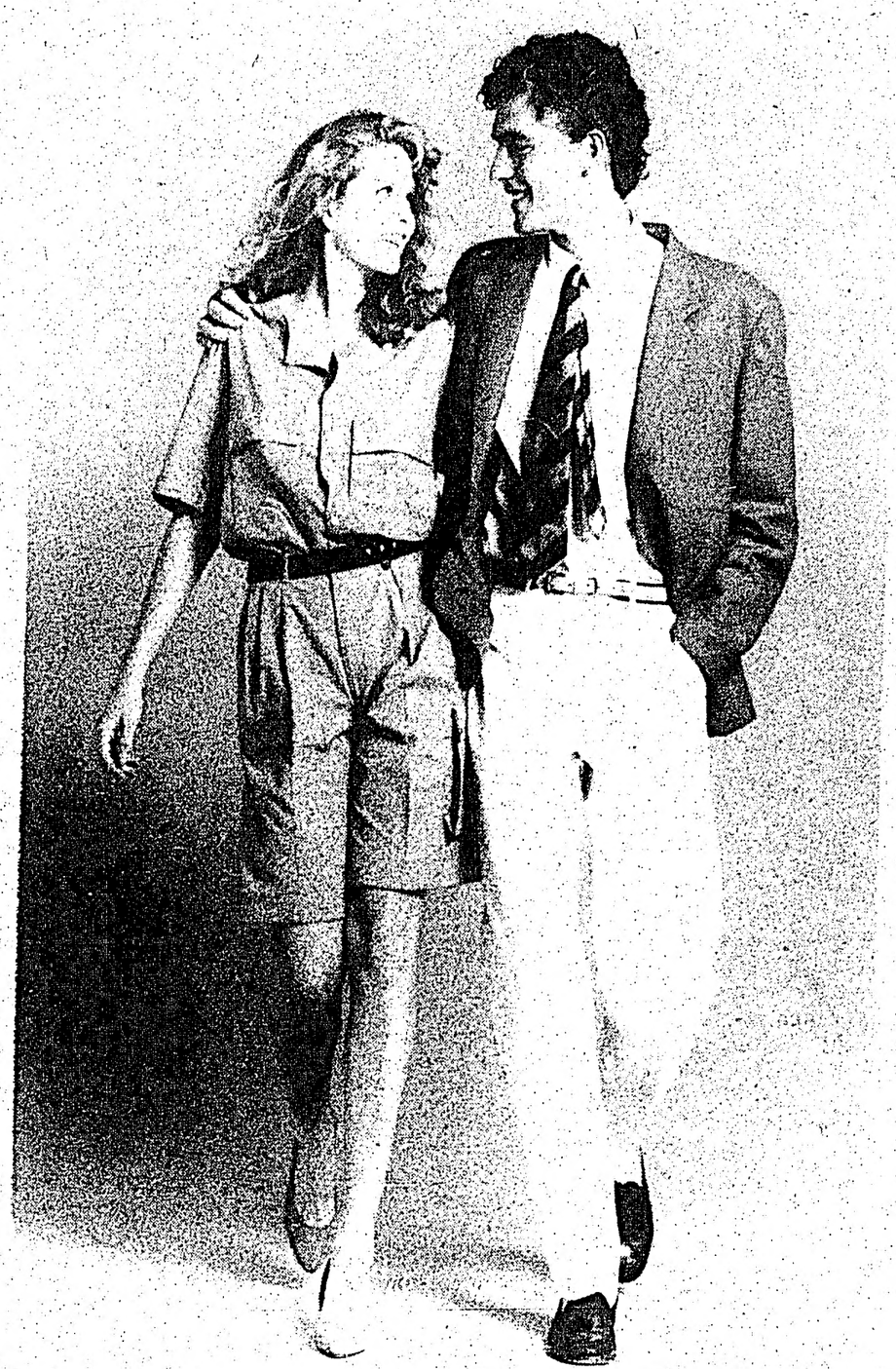
Although a dying breed, there are still those who insist upon trivializing the importance of their appearance. There are men who feel being overly concerned with a certain shape or colour is tantamount to effeminacy.

Or to display interest in a garment's price is to imply that they can't afford it. And, of course, enquiry into accessorizing an outfit is an indication that they are not omniscient. Errors, given this type of philosophy, are inevitable.

It is sheer nonsense to assume that, simply because you're a man, fashion holds no place in your life.

The male sex, I have found, is as vain of exteriors as the female sex, if not more. And I think it's high time they admitted it.

Feigning disinterest does nothing more than rob a man of his rightful pleasure in seeing himself well-dressed.



Selecting separates is easy, once you know how to coordinate them with the rest of your wardrobe.

There are always those men who are late converts to this idea. Once scornful of fashion, they now feel it necessary to take a new interest in it.

All for the good, you might think, save that now, the problem becomes one of acute ignorance.

Never bred to the details of dressing, as women generally are, these men tend to find themselves stuck in one of two states of mind; either too scared to say they don't know, or too arrogant to admit it.

Naturally, both these situations can lead to major mistakes in judgment.

The obvious solution here is to get some help. I can't emphasize enough the importance of finding a reliable retailer with whom you can be completely open.

Embarrassment shouldn't enter into it — I've always felt anyway that the first step to true understanding is the frank confession of inadequacy.

If you've chosen the right retailers, he'll make it a point to explain such matters as why an Italian cut would be preferred, and how the best suiting fabric can be determined.

He may even offer you a comprehensive analysis of your current wardrobe situation.

What is perhaps the worst offence, involves the matter of time. The majority of "bad" shoppers never seem to have enough of it — they dash into a store on their lunch-breaks, or between meetings, or after work just before store closing.

They want to be shown something, anything, but can't give a clue as to specifics — they haven't had time to itemize their wardrobe requirements.

Some don't have the time to change into appropriate attire for a clothes-buying expedition.

They stump in in construction boots and sweatshirts and ask to be shown a 3-piece suit.

Or they show up in violently-colored sport shirts and then wonder why the jacket they've been considering doesn't look quite right.

Even less desirable is the man who tries to combine clothes shopping with baby-sitting. Salespeople are busy enough most Saturdays without the additional headache of trying to keep a customer's kids in line.

Moreover, the man himself can't pay proper attention to his selection when one eye is always on his children.

No one is perfect. In fact, I'm sure every man who reads this article will be able to privately fault himself on at least one of the points mentioned. My purpose, however, is not to assign blame, or even to blow off some steam — rather, it is to illustrate areas which leave room for improvement.

A little more thought, effort and time concentrated on the best way to buy would mean a lot fewer "bad" shoppers in this world.

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Family store satisfies needs of the short men and women

By
LORI SMITH

"I can't believe it fits."

That's something that Lou Brown and his son, Robert, hear a lot from their customers.

The Browns own and operate Short Man by Brown's and Lady Short by Brown's, 1975 Avenue Rd., a store that specializes in quality, ready-to-wear, fashion garments for short men and women.

Robert explains that short people — women who are 4'7" to 5'3" and men 4'11" to 5'7", have very specific fitting problems.

"Our customers are proportionately short. A lot of people think that shorter people have a regular length body and shorter legs or their body is shorter and their legs are the regular length. That's not the case."

He says that even when regular sized clothing is shortened it doesn't fit a short person properly.

"Sometimes a woman will come in to the store and say, I can buy a skirt in another store and just shorten it. But, that's not true. If a woman buys a skirt in anther store, the waist to hip measurement is wrong and the skirt will buckle underneath the waist."

Similarly, says Brown, if a woman shortens a pair of regular length pants eight inches, as often must be done, the knee notch in the pant will be in the wrong place.

According to Brown, blazers and shirts are also problems for short women.

"In blazers, you can shorten the sleeves but the elbow position is in the wrong spot. And there will be crinkles in the small of the back because the waist of the jacket is sitting on the woman's hips."

He also says that short women have often had to sacrifice fashion and dress very plainly.

"When you go into a store and buy a skirt with fancy detail, if you shorten it, you lose the detail. If you buy a border print you can't take it up. This fall the big thing is bottom of skirt interest like pleats and bells. You can't shorten them."

Short men are also faced with fit problems.

"The nape to the small-of-the-back measurement in jackets is too long. Short men complain that the vent at the back of a blazer opens all the time. That's because the waist of the garment is on their hip," says Brown.

In addition, he says, the rise in pants is too long, sleeves are too long, knee notches are in the wrong place, ties are often too long, pockets are too low and socks too big.

"When we first opened our men's section in our Queen Street store, women had to drag their husbands in. Who wants to go shopping when the rise doesn't fit and the sleeves are too long?"

Thanks largely to the tenacity of Lou Brown, many short people now want to shop — at Brown's.

Eight years ago, Lou Brown recognized the market for clothing for shorter people and opened a short man's loft in his store on Queen Street.

He started with about 50 suits and a few shirts and ties. From there the idea and business grew; the regular business was closed and former average and tall customers were advised as to other stores in which to shop.

But the endeavor was not without problems.

According to Brown, his father had a very difficult time interesting manufacturers in the venture.

"He tried some models but no-one knew what an extra-short was. No-one wanted to cater to shorter people. Also, when people made cuttings for us they had to stop production and cut one by one so they lost money."

But, he says, his father persevered, and the customers loved the results.

Brown explains that they go strictly by height; size does not mean a thing.

They have two height ranges — extra-short and short.

For women extra-short is 4 feet, 7 inches to 5 feet, and short is 5 feet to 5 feet, 3 inches. Sizes range from 4 to 18.

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Debra Kennedy and David Hughes model clothes from Lady Short and Short Man by Brown's. [Ronny Shinder photo]

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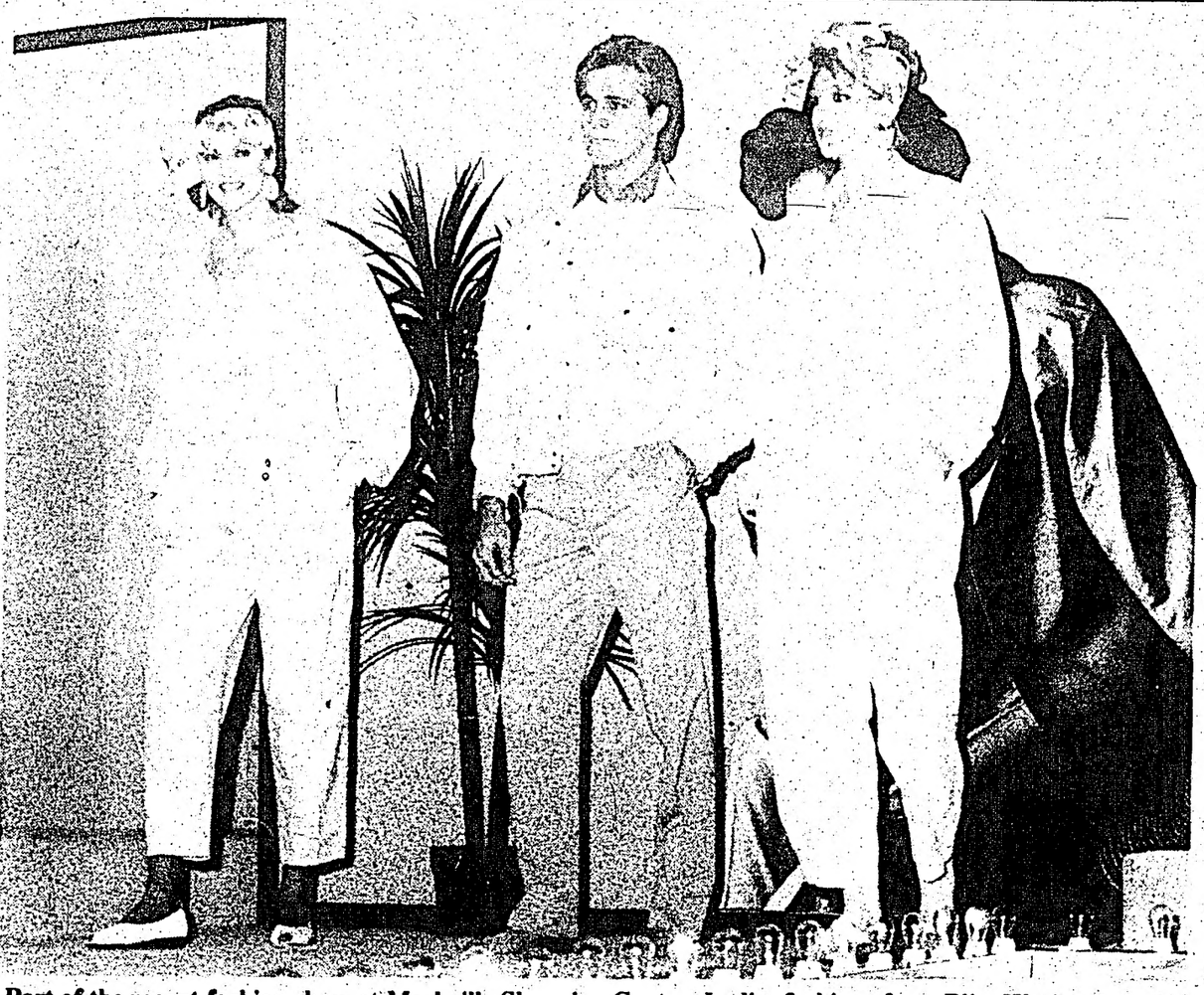

Part of the recent fashion show at Markville Shopping Centre. Ladies fashions from Bliss Weekend wear, footwear by Agnew; man's fashions by Sinardi; footwear by Pino Carina. [Ronny Shinder photo]

At the recent Markville Shopping Centre fashion show, this trio models fashions from Femina. April Showers rainwear, footwear from Calderone. [Ronny Shinder photo]

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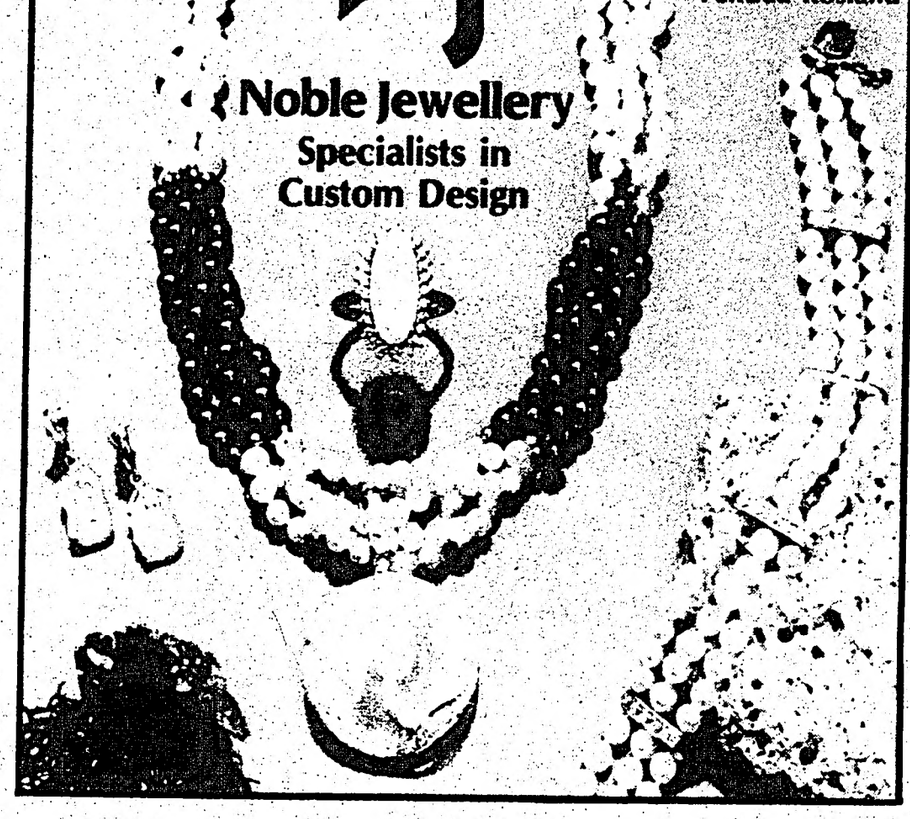

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Arts

Expose reveals how Saudis manipulated U.S. govt.

books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

The American House of Saud, by Steven Emerson. Franklin Watts of Canada, $18.95 (U.S.).

Subtitled "The Secret Petrodollar Connection," this meticulously researched, eye-opening expose reveals how Saudi Arabia's immense wealth has led to manipulation, deception and bigotry at the highest levels of the United States government and the business community.

Over the past 15 years Saudi Arabia has earned $670 billion from the sale of oil. One of the world's richest countries it spends more than $7 billion annually on goods and services in the United States. Moreover, she and other oil-rich countries have invested more than $100 billion in the American economy.

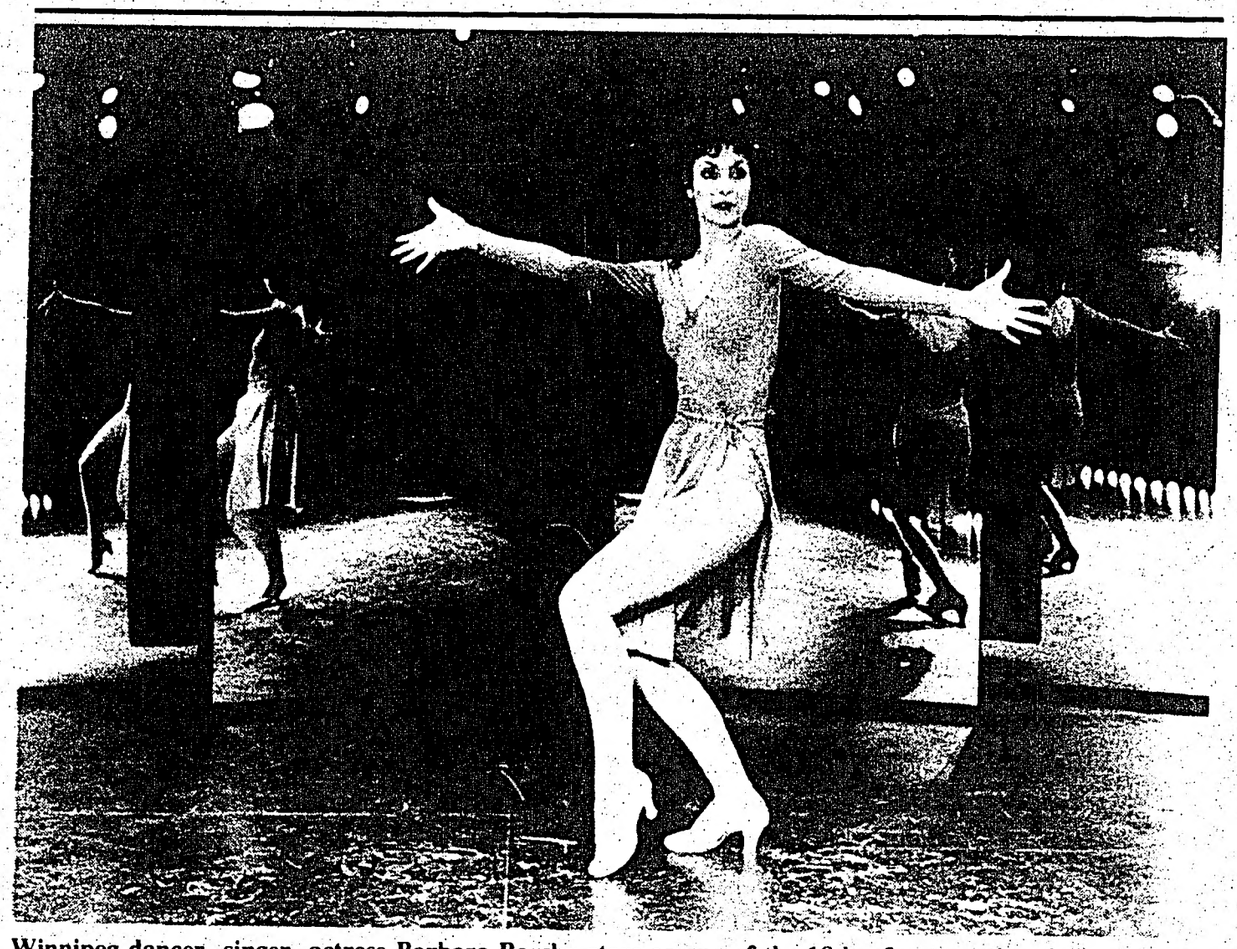
The author, a well known investigative journalist, spent three years and interviewed more than 500 persons in obtaining information for his sensational findings. He lifts the veil of secrecy from the activities of numerous individuals and groups who are fronting for the Saudis.

The surprising reversal of Congress in 1981 on the sale of AWACS planes to the Saudis was due to the efforts of President Reagan, but also to the intensive lobbying pressures of the Saudis and their influential friends. "Never before in American history has any foreign economic power been as successful as Saudi Arabia in reaching and cultivating powerful supporters all across the country," says Watts.

The United States has sold and continues to sell sophisticated weapons to the Saudis that could cause havoc in the Middle East and endanger U.S. national security were a group hostile to the United States to achieve power. He accuses the state department and CIA of suppressing or altering reports critical of the Saudi regime — its political instability and the widespread resentment among the populace against the royal family.

Emerson emphasizes that he is not opposed to lobbying by Arab or Jewish Americans, but when "a lobby that is controlled, directed, or influenced by a foreign nation attempts to secretly manipulate American policy, however, the integrity of the American decision-making process is subverted."

Money always talks and, as this book makes clear, never more effectively than when an immensely wealthy country showers largesse upon eager and compliant Americans.



Winnipeg dancer, singer, actress Barbara Barsky stars as one of the 18 hoofers strutting their stuff in A Chorus Line.

Director real star of Chorus Line

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

The real star of A Chorus Line, which opened recently in its first Canadian production at the Limelight Dinner Theatre, is director Adolf Toman.

He had the nerve to take the giant Pulitzer Prize-winning musical that is now in its 11th record-breaking year on Broadway and mount it on the tiny stage of the 235-seat Yonge St. theatre.

And, more important, he had the verve to make it work.

To be more precise, it works brilliantly.

With the aid of its second behind-the-scenes star, Toronto choreographer Brian Foley, Toman has worked his directorial magic to make this scaled-down production seem every bit as enchanting as the touring company version this reviewer saw a decade ago at the Royal Alexandra Theatre.

Indeed, because Toman had to make a virtue out of squeezing the 18 high-kicking performers into his cramped backstage set, it's more intimate and realistic than the original Broadway production.

In any case, it remains a humdinger of a show — as funny, touching and exuberant as ever.

I had forgotten how spontaneous the lines seemed when the eager young hoofers auditioning for a Broadway musical were asked to step forward and reveal something of their childhood.

"I used to watch the dancers on the Ed Sullivan Show every Sunday like church," said one.

"I was so bored I wanted to kill myself," said another. "But to commit suicide in Buffalo is redundant."

Still another said, "My mother told me, 'You take after your father's side of the family — the ugly side.' "

And yet another said, "To hell with Red Shoes! The only thing in the world I dreamed of being was a Rockette at Radio City Music Hall."

And I'd forgotten how wonderful the songs were composed by Marvin Hamlisch. Among them are I Hope I Get It, At The Ballet, The Music And The Mirror, and that silken melody What I Did For Love, with its haunting refrain, "Kiss today goodbye, with its sweetness and its sorrow."

Musical director David Warrack captures all the excitement and lustre of the score, making his trio of musicians seem like a full orchestra.

The singing, acting hoofers are magnificent, going through their routine like a unified driving force, the most memorable being Barbara Barsky, Sam Moses, Tanya Grout and Gerald Isaac.

Phone 482-5200 for tickets. The food is as pedestrian as ever, but this is surely a tour-de-force for the Limelight Dinner Theatre, its best production ever.

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Arts

Idolizes Brando

Jewish "prince" proud of heritage

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

He dislikes being called "a big, strapping fellow," because he thinks it evokes the cliche image of a lumbering lumberjack.

Neither does he like the nickname, "Spanish Mat," his fellow actors have pinned on him in reference to his mop of raven-black hair.

He'd much rather be nicknamed "Jewish Mat," because he says, "I'm intensely proud of my Jewish heritage and would love to do more Jewish roles."

This summer anyway Matt Birman, a sensitive, darkly handsome, 6-foot-1, 175-pound ex-Montrealer of 23, will be playing the Prince of Verona.

And that, of course, is the role of the Italian prince who strives to make peace between the feuding Capulet and Montague families in Romeo and Juliet.

Shakespeare's drama of the star-crossed lovers opens July 13 for a 2-month run until Aug. 11 outdoors in High Park.

Evening shows in the park

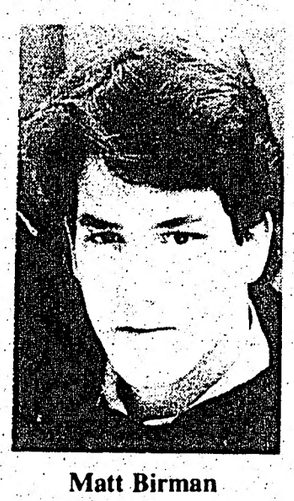
It's the Toronto Free Theatre's literally free production being staged at 8.15 each evening Tuesday through Sunday in the natural parkland amphitheatre about 300 yards east of the Grenadier Restaurant.

Birman is one of the cast of 14 young actors who, with the aid of original music composed by John Mills-Cockell, will attempt to inject a contemporary flavor into the doomed romance of 15-year-old Romeo and 14-year-old Juliet.

Although the Prince of Verona is non-Jewish, Birman believes a speech delivered by the character in a 16th century play has great relevance for modern Jews.

After the two young lovers are dead, the prince moralizes to the two battling families: "See what a scourge is laid upon your hate . . . that heaven finds means to kill your joys with love."

"Just by reading the headline about the terrorist hijackers, you realize how powerful the passion of hatred remains today," says Birman. "Just imagine how much energy is wasted in hate. It's a negative passion, and not the positive passion of love that to me means being Jewish."



Matt Birman

Clearly a complex thoughtful youth, Matt Birman is the son of Len Birman, the Montreal-born actor who played the role of the father in the movie version of Ted Allan's Lies My Father Told Me.

Young Matt regrets to say that during his acting career over the past 10 years he has been privileged to play only a single Jewish role. He portrayed the young Duddy Kravitz in a CBC 1-hour dramatization of Mordecai Richler's short story, The Wordsmith.

A graduate in theatre from Montreal's Dawson College, the husky, athletically inclined actor, who calls himself a "moody introvert," has been typecast for action roles.

Most notably, he dived off a 25-foot cliff near Guelph for the John Cassavettes film, Incubus.

And for a Montreal-made film starring Shelley Winters and Leslie Nielson, he was the daredevil (with clothes dampened down) who strode through the blazing streets in City On Fire.

"When I was very young, I used to love the swashbuckler movies of Douglas Fairbanks Jr. and Sr. and Errol Flynn," he said. "Now my heroes are Jack Nicholson and Al Pacino.

"But my top idol is Marlon Brando. I consider him the best North American actor ever of this century. Montgomery Clift and James Dean tried to emulate him. But Brando remains the classic brooding young man of the movies.

"The curious thing is that none of these was Jewish. If I get the right breaks and proper roles, who knows?" reflected the gifted young Birman. "Maybe I'll be the future brooding young actor of the movies — but with a difference."

He laughed and said, "I'll be known perhaps as the Jewish brooder."

Best of Pops still to come at Ontario Place Forum

music

By
RICK KARDONNE

Martin Rosenthal

Canada's only commercial classical music station, CFMX-FM, 103.1, in Cobourg, Ont., headed by Electro-Sonic (of Willowdale) owner Martin Rosenthal, assumes a high profile by teaming up with Ontario Place and Hamilton Philharmonic conductor Boris Brott to produce the current Ontario Pops series at the Forum.

The best of this series is yet to come. July 17 is devoted to the music of the film Amadeus, and will feature the Elmer Iseler Singers, pianist Valerie Tryon and soprano Wendy Humphries. This concert will feature two works by Mozart's arch-rival Salieri, plus a dramatization of the original Amadeus play, Pushkin's Mozart and Salieri.

The pops series will end on July 26 with Shall we Dance?, featuring world-renowned National Balletr prime ballerina Veronica Tennant in Maurice Ravel's Bolero.

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Star critic **Bob Crew** praised **A CHORUS LINE,** the multi-award winning musical that just opened here. **"Gerald Isaac"** he said, "Can do it all!" **Sam Moses** like-wise. He also came back from N.Y. to co-star in this vastly entertaining new show at the **LIMELIGHT DINNER THEATRE, 2026 Yonge Street** (parking's easy!) Rsvtns: **482-5200**

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Arts

NY hotel provides attractive oasis

Cultural elite still find Algonquin the place to be

By
ARNOLD AGES

NEW YORK —

True or false? When you stay in a hotel in New York City the choice is not really important because no one stays in the hotel any way, what with the dynamic charms of the Big Apple?

Answer: it depends on the hotel.

Tucked away unobtrusively on 44th St. between 5th and 6th Aves., the Algonquin Hotel is the living refutation of the assertion found above.

An institution which is sui generis, the Algonquin has, for more than 70 years, been New York City's most attractive oasis for those seeking culture, art and intellectual divertissement — not the standard fare of most New York hotels.

A half-dozen books have been written about the hotel, including The Algonquin Wits, a compendium of witty sayings offered by some of the literati associated with the establishment, especially in the decades between 1920 and 1950.

Some of those who frequented the Algonquin in those halcyon days include Robert Benchley, Dorothy Parker, Heywood Broun, Edna Ferber, George S. Kaufman and Alexander Woolcott.

These were some of the regulars at the hotel's "round table" in yesteryear. Their contributions to American journalism, the novel and the stage were enormous and many of the ideas that were later translated into artistic works first germinated in the hotel's precincts.

In the 80s the same cultural elan permeates. Lunch at the hotel on almost any day is the venue for some of New York City's artistic elite. Editor Norman Cousins, lawyer Louis Nizer and novelist Norman Mailer dine there often.

John Updike, Erica Jong, Graham Greene and Brendan Gill also find the Algonquin a congenial place for animated conversation over lunch.

Show business people in general seem to gravitate to the hotel's foyer and its Oak Room dining facility. Just recently the entire cast of the highly acclaimed Neil Simon Broadway play Biloxi Blues gathered for dinner in a quiet corner of the dining hall.

How does one account for the popularity of a smallish hotel which seems architecturally overwhelmed by the glass and chrome monsters that tower over the Manhattan skyline?

There are several answers to this legitimate question. First, the Algonquin's location, that is, its proximity to the hub of New York's publisher, theatre and artistic centres makes it an ideal focal point for the members of the city's cognoscenti.

It is no wonder that the New Yorker Magazine (whose offices are across the street) was founded by a group of writers who met regularly at the Algonquin. Again, the Shubert theatre (where Chorus Line is now in its umteenth performance) is just two blocks away from the hotel.

The second reason for the Algonquin's special charm lies in its refusal to ape every trend in the technology of modern hotel management. The elevator operator, a museum artifact today (with the automatic types in use almost everywhere) can still be found at the Algonquin's single lift. The hotel eschews soft drink machines or ice dispensers. One of its few concessions to modernity is the computerized key card issued guests.

Another element in the Algonquin's charm is its quiet Victorian appointments in both the lobbies and the guest rooms. Oak paneling, comfortable wing chairs, mahogany coffee tables and the absence of fluorescent lighting give the hotel's interior a feeling of quiet serenity, not unlike that found in the better English private clubs.

A unique feature of the hotel's lobby is the presence of little bells on each table. They are used by patrons to summon waiters for afternoon tea or evening aperitifs. Another feature in the lobby is a magazine display area which must be absolutely unique in American hotels. In addition to the publications one might expect at a newsstand (Time, Newsweek etc.) the Algonquin offers its clients the American Drama Review, Foreign Affairs, Film Quarterly and other journals found customarily only in reference departments of good libraries.

In a city where gargantuan proportions are the norm, the Algonquin strives for the human dimension. Its bar, inexplicably called the Blue Room, seats no more than 15 people and its largest dining room less than 75. And in an age when sartorial (and other) standards are in decline the hotel insists on proper attire — coat and tie in the dining areas.

It is the eccentrics, the wits, the talented and the creative who, over the years, have continued to make the Algonquin a mecca for those who want to observe unobtrusively the great and the near great. While many representaives from the literary and stage world still frequent the Algonquin, the age of television has ushered in a new species of guest.

On a recent visit the hotel's lobby seemed to be full of American and English television producers discussing various scripts, deadlines and performers.

Ah yes . . . the Algonquin does have another concession to modernity, large television sets in each guest room — enclosed, however, in massive wood cabinets which may be shut tightly by those not wishing to be offended by the sight of the cathode tube.

Dolly Brown (left), president, and Birdie Steele, publicity, are two of the JCC Singers.

JCC Singers cut multi-language album

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

They may not have their own famine relief song to aid Ethiopians, but the JCC Singers have cut their own album featuring tunes in six languages.

The JCC Singers, affiliated with the Jewish Community Centre, came into existence in 1981 after Dolly and Mona Brown (no relation) formed a musical choir with 10 senior citizens with the aid of a grant from the New Horizons program.

Finally after performing in numerous venues around the city, as well as in such places as Hamilton and Brantford, the ensemble released its first record in February.

The album, JCC Singers in a Musical Mosaic, includes tunes in English, Jewish, Hebrew, French, Russian and Hungarian. (The group also sings Italian tunes.) It is available in Jewish book stores, Sam the Record Man, sisterhood gift shops and at the JCC.

Dolly Brown, president of the JCC Singers, told The CJN that the album was made after the head of the New Horizons program approached them with the idea.

"It was exciting and hard work," Brown says.

The JCC Singers have performed for numerous organizations including at the CNE, Harborfront, North York Civic Centre, Leah Posluns Theatre, Earl Bales Park, synagogues, community centres and nursing homes and was recently the sole representative of the Jewish community at the Toronto Multicultural Festival.

The group's next "gig" will take place July 24 at Beth Sholom at 7.30 p.m.

"We're just going ahead full speed," says Brown.

She credits the group's musical director Esther Ghan-Firestone and accompanist Sara Barkin-Sandler for a great deal of its success. Under their direction the 25 amateur singers won first prize trophy in the North York Seniors Choral Competition last year.

"(Firestone's) been the driving force behind the group," Brown says.

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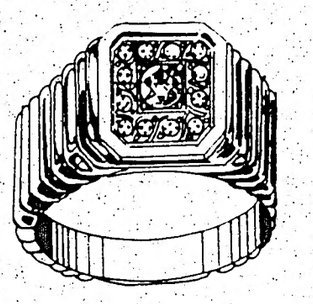

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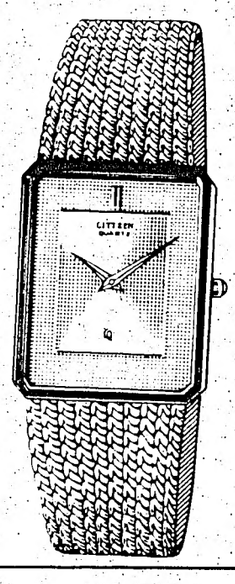

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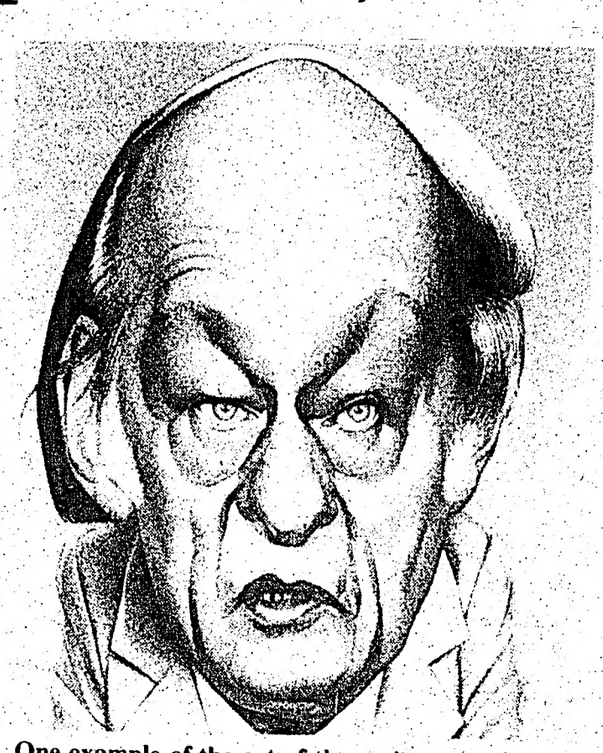
Gallery Gatherings

French porcelain, metal sculptures all part of offerings

By
RON CSILLAG

A Space: An exhibition and catalogue launching of billboard art featuring seven artists, until July 13. 204 Spadina Ave. 364-3227.

Art Gallery of Ontario: Albrecht Durer's Adam and Eve, dated from 1504 and said to be the greatest masterpiece of the engraving process, was recently purchased by the AGO and will be displayed until Aug. 18. Prints and drawings by leading U.S. satirist Edward Koren on display until Aug. 11. Perspectives 85, a joint show by painter Carol Wainio and sculptor Robert Wiens, runs until July 14. Private Realms of Light, a display of amateur Canadian photography from 1839 to 1940 continues until Aug. 11. The gallery's recent acquisition of 103 Henry Moore lithographs are still on display. 317 Dundas St. W. 977-0414.



One example of the art of the caricaturist. Three internationally renowned caricature artists are exhibiting their art at Rapid-Grafic Gallery until July 27.

Bau-Xi Gallery: Paintings by Joseph Muscat entitled Middle Kingdom Series end July 11. 340 Dundas St. W. 977-0625.

Bersani and Carlevale: A group show by gay artists, men and women, runs until July 14. In The Atrium, 595 Bay St. 595-081.

Burwick Gallery: An exhibition and sale of pottery and woven tapestries by ceramicist Derek Martin and fibre artist Melanie Roden-Siegel. 140 Woodbridge Ave., Woodbridge, Ont. 851-8914.

Carmen Lamanna Gallery: A group show of gallery artists, through July. 840 Yonge St. 922-0410.

Eye Revue: Works by James Tamblyn and Janis Bowley until July 22. In Union Station, 532-0949.

Gardiner Museum of Ceramic Art: The museum recently acquired very rare French porcelain pieces from the court of Louis XV. 111 Queen's Park, 593-9300.

Garnet Press: Litho Printing/Gallery: Stone and metal sculptures by Angela Houpt, George Farmer and Thomas Monahan, entitled Sculpture for the Hydrocarbons, until July 16. Matt Harley's Botanical Garden, an outdoor gravel installation, continues. 580 Richmond St. W. 366-5012.

Glendon Gallery: Works by six new artists, entitled New Faces, to July 19. 2275 Bayview Ave. 487-6206.

Haborfront Art Gallery: A joint showing of sculptures and murals by 15 Toronto artists, entitled Riot, Calm and Luxury, until Sept. 28. 235 Queen's Quay W. 364-5665.

Here and Now Gallery: Works by Paul Gazda, to July 15. 527 Parliament St. 923-7789.

Interference Hologram Gallery: Recent holograms from San Fransisco. 1179A King St. W. 523-2323.

Hollander-York Gallery: Gallery artists featured throughout the summer. 120 Scollard St. 923-9275.

Justina M. Barnicke Gallery: Paintings by John Armstrong and monoprints by Michael Gerry, until Aug. 15. Hart House, University of Toronto, 978-2453.

Koffler Gallery: The Action of Realizing, an exhibition of handmade paper by four artists, from July 16 until Aug. 23. 4588 Bathurst St. 636-2145.

Madison Gallery: Inuit art by Northwest Territories artist Simon Tookoome, from July 18 until Aug. 10. 334 Dundas St. W. 977-4060.

Marianne Friedland Gallery: American and Canadian contemporary paintings, from July 13 through Aug. 122 Scollard St. 961-4900.

Market Gallery: From the Shadows: A Portrayal of Toronto in the 30s and 40s, recalls Toronto from that era in a variety of media. Until July 21. 95 Front St. E. 947-7604.

McMichael Canadian Collection: Contemporary Indian and Inuit art, organized by the department of Indian and northern affairs, continues until October. In Kleinburg. 893-1121.

Metro Toronto Library: Inner Visions, photographs, sculptures, drawings and paintings by blind or visually impaired artists, until July 22. 789 Yonge St. 928-5317.

Olga Korper Gallery: Paintings by Wanda Koop continue until July 15. 80 Spadina Ave. 363-5268.

Ontario Crafts Council: Wood panels, prints, castings and photographs by Stephen Hogbin, until July 28. 346 Dundas St. W. 977-3551.

Ontario Science Centre: 20 paintings of the Canadian flag, by Charles Pachter, until Sept. 2. Eglinton Ave. E. and Don Mills Rd. 429-4423.

The Photography Gallery: Photographs entitled Autoportrait, by Bohdanna Horick Cmoc, to Aug. 5. 235 Queen's Quay W. 364-5665.

Rapid-Grafic Gallery: The city's newest gallery opened last month with an exhibit by three internationally known caricature artists. The display runs until July 27. 134 Peter St. 598-2408.

Royal Ontario Museum: The museum has acquired 22 portraits from the National Portrait Gallery. Included are works by Paul Kane, George Romney and Cornelius Krieghoff as well as unknown itinerant painters; Fabled Cloth: Batik from Java's North Coast, a display of 60 batiks, continues until July 28; 39 works depicting Indians and landscapes by artist Paul Kane continue; Silver from the Growing Collections, an exhibit of 50 silver pieces, continues. 100 Queen's Park Cres. 978-3692.

YYZ: Works by Beaty Popescu, until July 20. 116 Spadina Ave. 367-0601.

Israel Museum exhibit honors 2 archeologists

JERUSALEM — An exhibit honoring two world-famous Hebrew University archeologists, Eleazor L. Sukenik and Yigael Yudin, has been dedicated at the Israel Museum's Shrine of the Book.

The exhibit, "Sukenik and Yadin, Father and Son," is the museum's tribute to the 60th anniversary of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

"Sukenik and Yadin were the two most important archeologists ever to work in this country and were the world's foremost experts on the Dead Sea Scrolls," said Magen Broshi, curator of the Shrine of the Book, which houses the scrolls, in an address welcoming several hundred Friends of the Hebrew University from around the world.

Hebrew University president Don Patinkin said archeology in Israel "has strengthened our bond to the land." He emphasized the central role Hebrew University professors and students have played in uncovering the archeological past of the Jewish people in Israel. "Sukenik and Yadin made archeology a central topic of concern to all of us here in Israel as well as to the Jews of the Diaspora."

He thanked the Israel museum on behalf of the university for mounting the exhibit.

Broshi explained that the exhibit consists of two Dead Sea Scroll fragments on display for the first time. One of the fragments was discovered by Sukenik (1889-1953), founder of the Hebrew University's department of archeology, in the Qum'ran caves. This fragment is of special significance, he said, because it refers to the Dead Sea sect's belief in predestination — a point on which the sect differed theologically from normative Judaism.

The second fragment was discovered by Yadin (1917-1984) in his excavations at Masada.

The fragment, inscribed with the "Song of the Sabbath Sacrifice," was part of a manuscript written at Qum'ran and brought to Masada by refugees of the Dead Sea sect, who fled Qum'ran to join the defenders of the desert fortress against the Romans. The fragment clearly elaborates on the religious calendar particular to the Qum'ranic sect, explained Broshi.

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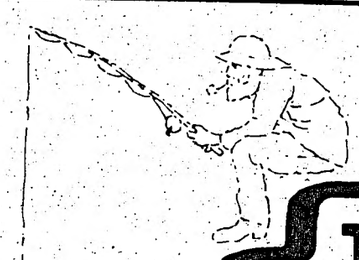

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By
JAMES MONTAGNES

MONTREAL —

Want to watch whales this fall off Grand Manan Island where the Atlantic Ocean meets the Bay of Fundy in Atlantic Canada? It is not the easiest place to reach if you are planing a trip there, but now VIA Rail has announced a package tour there, leaving Montreal Sundays from Aug. 4 to Sept. 15.

It is overnight from Montreal on VIA's train via Montmagny on Quebec's south shore to Saint John, then by bus and ferry for 90 minutes across Bay of Fundy waters to Grand Manan.

The package includes five nights on the island, a quiet region where you'll be taken out by boat with guides for two days in the hope of seeing whales surface and dive. There is also a guided day of bird watching for ornithologists as there are over 275 different types of birds to be seen on and near the island.

VIA Rail sells this package for $1,050, including rail and ferry return travel, all meals on the island, on a double occupancy basis. Children under 5 years are charged $200.

Since whales in summer and early fall come up the St. Lawrence River to near the Saguenay River, VIA Rail has 2-day package tours with 13 departures from Toronto between July 19 and Oct. 12. You'll have a day on a ship on the river near Riviere-du-Loup, which is about 15 kilometres (9 miles) wide here. (VIA Rail's costs are $171 for the ship tour and one night's hotel at Riviere-du-Loup, and $152 for the rerurn rail trip from Toronto, $100 for seniors over 60 years.)

These are but two examples of what the national railway has to offer in the way of package tours across Canada. The advantage of these tours is that practically all of the planning and arrangements for your holiday are taken off your hands. VIA Rail's staff and its agents look after all these things for you, and in some cases even

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the transfer of your luggage from train to hotel, to bus or ferry.

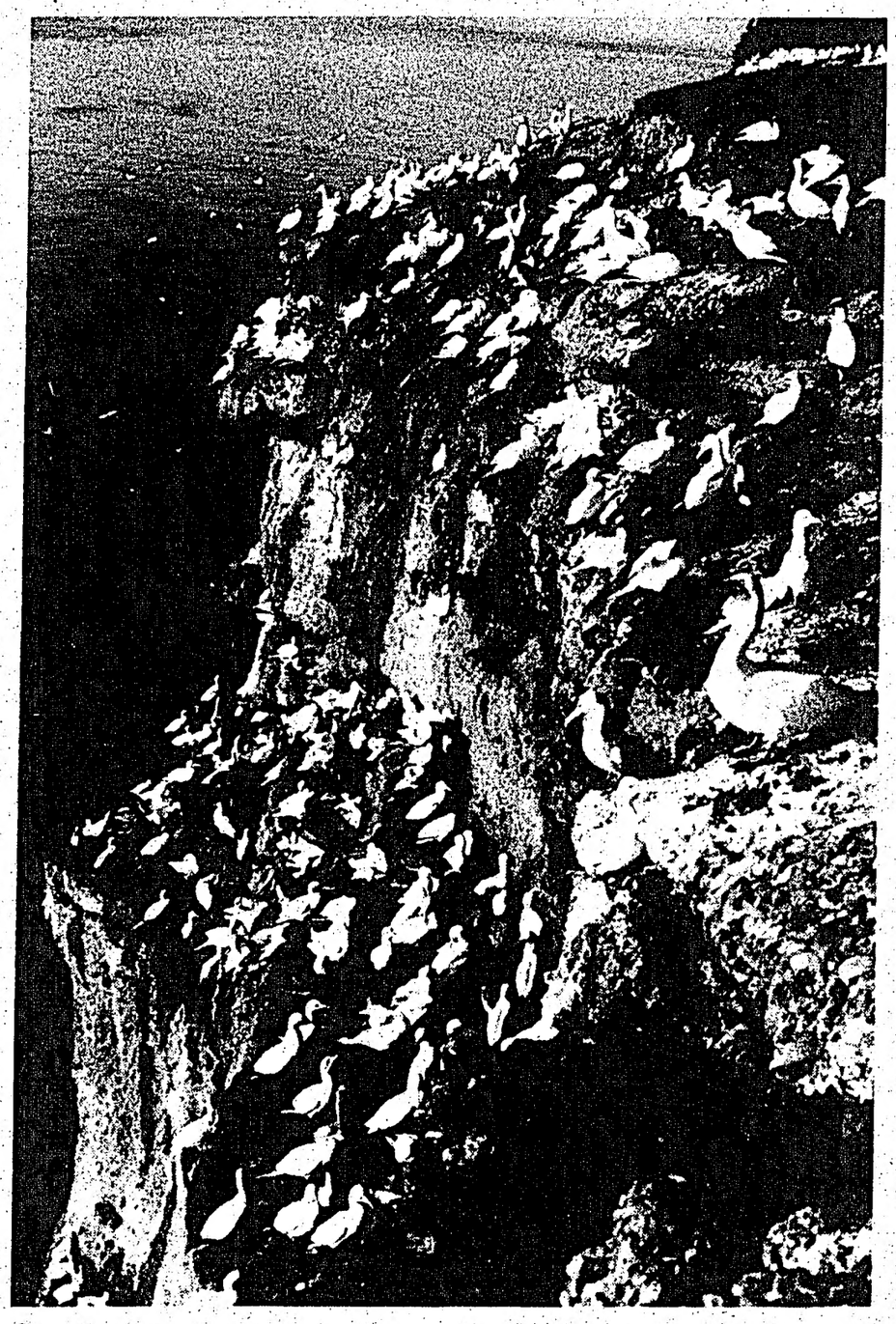
Included in tours in Eastern Canada are trips out of Montreal for 11 nights to three Atlantic provinces, the restored French fortress of Louisbourg on Cape Breton in Nova Scotia, the scenic Cabot Trail on Cape Breton, a ferry trip across Northumberland strait to Prince Edward Island, a cruise on the Bay of Fundy out of Saint John and visit to Halifax ($1,450 Montreal-Halifax return).

There are a number of cruises out of Toronto, Kingston and Montreal on the St. Lawrence River and between the Thousand Islands of the river near where it joins Lake Ontario Empress. There are train trips from Toronto to Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec City and the Gaspe area.

For the adventurous there are trips from Winnipeg northward to the mining town of Thompson, to Churchill on the west shore of Hudson Bay to visit an old fur trading fort and see polar bears as well as beluga whales, and further north to Eskimo Point in the Northwest Territories to meet with Inuit villagers.

A variety of trips from Winnipeg westward to Vancouver and Victoria on the Pacific coast are available, ranging from six to 13 nights, including days among the snowcapped Rocky Mountains, and the national parks which are this year celebrating their 100th anniversary.

On an international itinerary there is a combination tour by rail and ocean cruise ship from Toronto to New York by rail, then via the St. Lawrence River to Montreal, rounding Nova Scotia and the Gaspe Peninsula, a 12-day trip (ranging from $1,550 up, depending on ship accommodation).



Gannets on Bonaventure Island off the Gaspe coast of Quebec province.

Luxury hotel in Israel appears splendiferous

By
MELVIN FENSON

HERZLIA PITUACH, Israel —

It's lucky that Michelangelo completed his David in 1492, because there's no more marble left in Italy — not after Sir Leon Tamman completed his $58 million Daniel Tower Spa and Hotel here.

All I could mumble upon entering this splendiferous complex of Murano glass chandeliers, Carara marble floors contrasted with gleaming red polished granite, winding staircases and a stained glass creation that humbles the rose window of the cathedral at Rheims . . . was Fountainebleau.

And, by golly, its architect is none other than Maurice Lapidus, creator of the ornate Miami Fountainebleau, the absolute symbol of ornate living.

The spa facilities contain not only a heated Olympic-sized swimming pool, plus jacuzzis, saunas and other such standard delights but bathtubs with perfumed oil sprays.

Aiming to provide Israel with the first of what is vulgarly known as a "fat farm," the health and beauty spa provides, in addition to its low calorie restaurant and dietician, a gymnasium, panthermal steam cabinets, nine types of massage, herbal spa baths, "Dead Sea baths," and a doctor and nurse.

The rooms (and the beds) are the largest of any hotel in Israel. The view is of the incomparable blue Mediterranean. It's all yours, plus breakfast, for $118 (double occupancy) plus service charge.

And if you hate credit cards or check-writing, you can buy a room with kitchenette for $1 million (plus maintenance).

Among the directory of services listed is an intriguing one entitled: "Extraordinary credit facilities." I have no doubt they were serious when they chose that term.

The weekend I visited, entertainment was provided by a Hawaiian group. The popular Israeli belly-dancer Sachar (nee Debby Goldman of Washington, and my former fellow student in an Arabic language class) performs three times a week.

"I think it is probably the most complete resort hotel in the world," architect Lapidus told The Jerusalem Post. Think? Is there any doubt? All that is missing are turbaned Nubian boys waving huge ostrich feather fans over you as you dine.

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180 Canadian athletes to compete

Biggest and best Maccabiah ever is predicted

By
PAUL LUNGEN

Sitting in the shade of a brightly colored parasol on Tel Aviv's Dizengoff or Nordau streets, sipping slowly from a tall coke (with a twist of lemon), a visitor to the 12th Maccabiah Games might be forgiven for not realizing the contribution to Jewish athletics made by the streets' namesakes.

As far back as 1898 at the 2nd Zionist Congress in Basle, Switzerland, Zionist leader Max Nordau summarized the growing belief among young ghetto-dwelling Eastern European Jews that "gymnastics and physical training are exceedingly important for us Jews...The more Jews achieve in the various branches of sport, the greater will be their self confidence and self respect."

A few years later a group of 35 gymnasts staged an impressive display at the 4th Zionist Congress and soon afterwards, existing European Jewish sports clubs coalesced into a single entity, a precursor to the present day organization.

Then in 1921, at a convention in Carlsbad, Czechoslovakia, the World Maccabi Union was formed. In that same year, Joseph Yekutieli, a founder and leader of the Maccabi movement in Palestine, conceived of the idea of a Jewish Olympics.

He succeeded in persuading Tel Aviv mayor Meir Dizengoff to build the first sports stadium in the country and in 1932 the first Maccabiah was held in Tel Aviv, with 309 athletes from 17 countries participating.

With the notable exception of the Holocaust years, the Games have grown and grown until today, on the eve of the competition, Maccabiah organizers are predicting the biggest and best Maccabiah yet.

More than 4,000 athletes from 35 countries competing in 30 sports will attend the Games, which run from July 15-25, and thousands of visitors will accompany the teams to add to the cosmopolitan flavor of Eretz Yisrael.

The Canadian team's 180 athletes make it the biggest ever sent from the true north strong and free. Olympic judo bronze medalist Mark Berger will carry the flag and lead the Canadian contingent of sportsmen, trainers, coaches and officials in the opening procession at Ramat Gan's stadium.

A familiar sight around sports venues in Israel this summer will be the dapper red and white outfits of the Canadian Maccabiah contingent, similar to these outfits worn at the Pan American Macabiada in Sao Paulo in 1983.

Among the nattily attired Canadians in their coordinated red and white outfits (topped with a handsome red cowboy hat), will be former Montreal Canadiens hockey great Jean Beliveau, an assistant honorary chef de mission with the team.

Other notables in the procession will include Gary Ulrich, chef de mission, Joey Richman, honorary chef de mission, Rabbi Gunther Plaut and Gordie Brown, assistant honorary chefs de mission.

With 180 athletes in tow, including 15 juniors, the Canucks will be trying to improve on their 1981 medal total of 46 — good for third overall last time around.

Canada will participate in 21 events, many of which trace their genesis to the efforts of Canadian Maccabi officials.

Maccabi Canada's Fred Oberlander, Canada's flag bearer at the 1950 Maccabiah, proposed the Games' first ever "performing arts competition," to demonstrate "the Maccabiah is not only a physical, but a cultural experience as well."

Canada was also the driving force behind a move to bring diving back to the Games, and the junior aged athletes (15 and under) can also thank the Canadian officials for their initiative in promoting the inclusion of junior competition.

When the opening whistles blow, Canadian athletes will be in good shape to win their fair share of medals.

Nineteen eighty-one fencing gold medalist Shelly Steiner is back for a shot at a second gold, while Los Angles Olympics bronze medalist Mark Berger of Winnipeg (a native of the Soviet Union) is a good bet to do well in the judo competition.

Veteran wrestling squad

Also grappling for a medal will be the Canuck wrestlers — make no mistake about it, there isn't a Mad Dog Vachon or Rowdy Roddy Piper among 'em.

Instead, these well-trained sportsmen will be trying to improve upon their 1981 medal total of 6 gold, 3 silver and 3 bronze — Canada's best showing in any sport.

Victor Zilberman, Canada's best coach, will lead a veteran squad to Israel. Gary Kallos, wrestling at 100 kilos, took home two gold medals at the 81 Games, while other vets are Fred Avertik and Rudy Adler.

Over at the track in Ramat Gan, Canada's No. 1 marathoner, David Edge, will be looking for a medal in the mini-marathon (at 13 miles, it's considered "mini"). Winnipeg's Gordon Orlikow will be vying for medals in the decathlon and high hurdles, events he finished third and second in at the 81 competition.

Still in the Tel Aviv area, over at the university pool one of Quebec's top ranked swimmers, 15-year-old Miriam Ticktin, will be looking for a medal.

At 14, Edmonton's Janna Promislow is one of the country's best in that age group, while 1981 silver medalist Glen Luxenberg is back to try and better his last Maccabiah performance.

One of the world's most beautiful cities, Jerusalem, will host one of the world's most spectacular sports — gymnastics. Toronto's Danny Fedder and Doron Kernerman have a shot at a medal, while Tara Litwin and Jacqueline Kotler are young and talented medal hopefuls.

Winnipeg's Marsha Portnoy and Oshawa's Randi Topp are entered in the junior girls competition, while Lance Soskin will be representing the junior boys.

Traveling north towards Lebanon (but stopping well short of the border), visitors can take in the sailing competition in the blue Mediterranean outside Nahariya.

Toronto's Howard Sutton and Jason Lester are looking for medals to go along with the silvers they won in 81.

Fourteen young men will take to the batters' box in softball competition. The Toronto-based team will probably slug it out with the Excited States for a gold medal, if pre-tournament prognostications hold true.

Over in Caesarea, Quebec's top Jewish golf amateur, Billy Holzman (an Ottawa native), will be competing on the links, while for the first time a women's team, coached by Ottawa's John Holzman will participate.

There's a good chance for a gold from the shooting team. Last time around BC's Bud Wolochow took home two golds in pistol and Montrealer Joelle Fefer was sharp in shooting her way to a gold with a rifle.

Over the years, a gallery of Jewish sporting superstars have entered the Maccabiah. They include names like Dutch tennis ace Tom Okker and perhaps the greatest Olympic sportsman of all time, Marc Spitz.

South Africa out

TEL AVIV —

"South Africa, as such, will definitely not take part in (the) 12th Maccabiah," organizing committee chairman Michael Kevehazi stated recently.

"But we are still hoping for something to happen that will enable Jewish sportsmen and sportswomen from South Africa to compete," he added without elaborating.

The quadrennial games take place here from July 15-25.

Kevehazi said "the South African Maccabi Federation decided not to enter the Games, so as to avoid serious problems for athletes from a number of participating coutries which object strongly to their sportsmen competing against South Africa."

South Africa has been part of the Maccabiah Games since the 2nd Games in 1935, and its athletes have always been among the medal-winners.

Promotes Zionist activity

But the main raison d'etre of the Games is not winning medals. Those competitors who come home without the heavy metal are still winners, Maccabi officials point out.

Says Ontario Maccabi chairman Sid Greenberg, with the Games "we're promoting Israel.

"We bring kids who are confused and ask 'am I Jewish, or not Jewish?' When they return, in their minds, they know they're Jewish and they want to go back to Israel. This is one of the strongest vehicles we have to identify with Israel and Judaism."

The chairman of the Maccabiah World Union, Dr. Israel Peled, points out the Maccabiah world movement works around the world promoting sports, cultural and Zionist activity.

"In some communities, Jewish life revolves around the Maccabiah sports club," Peled says. "In Perth, Western Australia, all 300 members of the community belong to the club. Buenos Aires has five big clubs boasting 20,000 members."

Back in Israel, Jewish unity and culture will be a featured motif of the 10-day competition. Beginning with the colorful opening ceremonies at the newly-refurbished Ramat Gan stadium, the unity theme will centre on the brotherhood of the 12 tribes of Israel. Performances in music and dance will be presented to create an audio-visual show about Jewish communities around the world.

Folklore evenings, a gala concert, theatre festivals — including the Montreal Yiddish Theatre Group — are planned, as are a sports medicine clinic, a sports history meeting and the children's art competition.

The closing ceremony in Jerusalem's Sultan's Pool will include a sound and light show in the picturesque setting beneath the walls of the capital's old city.

But if past experience is any precedent, that may not be the end of the athletes' connection to Israel. Many, like American-born former basketball captain Tal Brody, have decided to make their homes in Israel after experiencing the Maccabiah. And none other than President Chaim Herzog was once the Maccabi boxing champion of Ireland.

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ACCOMMODATION AVAILABLE

Share townhouse with all facilities. Forest Hill North. Young person, kosher, non-smoker. Call Simon. 665-3743.

ACCOMMODATION WANTED

Retired couple, non-smokers returning from Israel July 25 require furnished 1-2 bedroom apt. through October '85. Reply with details & rent desired to Box 7022, CJN, 562 Eglinton Ave. E., Ste. 401, Toronto, Ont. M4P 1P1.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jewish Student Federation of York University 10th Anniversary reunion in August. We are looking for those who are on our mailing list, danced at our dances & partied in the portable. Call 667-3647 for more information & tell your friends.

Updated Jewish Singles Directories available. Jewish Information Service, 635-5600. (Voice — TTY.)

SOCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Goldberg. Mike & Jodie are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter **Lana Faye Holly,** 7 lbs. 3 oz. on June 26 at Mount Sinai. A sister for Jason. Proud grandparents are Rosalie Goldberg, Mickey & Muriel Lainof of Calgary. Proud great grandparents are Yale & Mona Dvorkin of Calgary.

It is with great pleasure that the engagement is announced of Elana Mayers, daughter of James & Gladys Mayers to Lewis Rose, son of Denise Rose & the late Boris Rose. A July '86 wedding is planned.

Abshez/Nunes. Melody, daughter of Charles & Beverly Abshez, is pleased to announce her engagement to John, son of Joao & Rosa Nunes, on June 28, 1985. Wedding plans to be announced.

APARTMENTS TO RENT

Thornhill. Lovely 1 bedroom basement apt. Private entrance, family room with walkout to patio & garden. Mature person required. Available immediately 889-9278, 889-6484.

Bathurst Manor. Large 1 bedroom basement apt. Private entrance. Non-smoker. August 1. 630-7788 after 6 p.m.

Bathurst-Wilson. Furnished basement. Reasonable, suit one non-smoker. 633-4553. References.

Bathurst-Lawrence. 1 bedroom furnished apt. Renovated kitchen — new appliances. $500. August 1. 781-9169.

Upper duplex. 1 bedroom apt. for rent. Bathurst/St. Clair, quiet residential neighbourhood, excellent T.T.C./Hwy. access, owners live below. $480 a month. Utilities included. 656-4346 after 6:00 p.m. week-days.

ARTICLES FOR SALE

New summer fashions, wicker hampers, baskets on sale. Save $$$ July 13 + 14. 122 Laurelcrest Avenue. (North of Wilson, West side off Bathurst.)

Talis Wool Shop. 3523 Bathurst. Back from Israel. New Judaica. Needlepoints, Challah, Matzoh covers, tablecloths, knitting yarn, kippot yarn, many specials. 782-1251.

ARTICLES WANTED

Double string bass, wood, wanted. Please call 449-0034.

BUSINESS FOR SALE

Clothing, footwear & furniture business, well established. Owner retiring. Near Ottawa. Write Box 295, Perth, Ontario.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

SHOPPING CENTRE
Near Toronto, new, excellent investment, stores, apts. **HALAS RLTY 481-2451.**

CONDOMINIUMS FOR RENT

80 Antibes. Luxury 3 bedroom Corner apt. 2-4 piece baths. Florida room. Air-conditioned. 5 appliances, broadloom, parking. Lease. 665-1874.

3000 Bathurst. 1 bedroom + den, appliances, parking. Sabbath elevator. $825 monthly. Available Sept. 1. 787-4935. 789-3169.

CONDOMINIUMS FOR SALE

100 Antibes, 2 bedroom 2 baths, Florida room, sauna, exercise room, spa, close to shuls, shopping, & T.T.C. (no agents). Ann 363-6302, 665-4994 (no Saturday calls).

Excellent location across from Baycrest & near synagogues. Extra large 1 bedroom with appliances, faces quiet side. Air-conditioned. Asking $78,500. 782-6300 evenings.

Bathurst-North of Finch, cozy 3 bedroom 2 levels, pool, underground parking. Private. Asking $68,500. Call 226-0740. No Saturday calls.

Skymark Elegance. Must sell. 2,200 sq. ft. apt. plus balcony. 2 bedrooms, 3 baths, family room. No agents. 497-4356.

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Skymark/Elegance
Demand C model. Upgraded 1,775 sq. ft., S. view. Bsmt. locker/only a few in the bldg.
Skymark Zenith
Choices of 3 unique suites; 2-bdrm., 2-bdrm. + family or 3-bdrm. All well-priced.
SKYMARK I
Just listed - demand S.W. corner, 2 bdrm. + family + large greenery rm. + balcony; 2 park; low floor; vendor bought. Terrific price. Hurry!
Skymark II
Open concept. 1,700 sq. ft., huge living. Perfect for entertaining or home living. Prime S. city view.
Mr. Santee Leung, the Skymark Specialist, 441-2003. 24 hrs. on call + pager.
Santee Realty Inc.

CONDOMINIUMS FOR SALE

LUXURY ADULT CONDO
SKYMARK IV-1560SQ.FT.
REDUCED $20,000
DON MILLS-FINCH
1 bedroom plus den, sep. dining room, large living room, kitchen with pantry & eating area, 2 baths, sunroom with panoramic view, rec facilities, prestige building, 24 hr. security, a real bargain. Call 499-6268, **Jack Rupert R.E. Ltd.**

COTTAGES FOR RENT

Gravenhurst - Muskoka. 3 bedrooms. Full bathroom. Sandy beach. 651-8868. (705) 687-6759.

Wapaska. Gravenhurst. Modern. Heated. All conveniences. For month August. 633-4431, 633-8902.

Gravenhurst - Muskoka. Beautiful 3 bedroom, beachfront on Muskoka Bay. Screened porch, well-treed lot. Community tennis court, playground. Available for August. 782-6801.

COTTAGES FOR SALE

Jackson's Point
Lake Simcoe. Winterized, modern 2 storey, upper deck, 4 bedrm. 2 full baths, fireplace, wood interior. End of private road at water. $94,900. 499-6693 after 5:00 p.m.

LAKE SIMCOE
Lakefront near Big Cedar Point, super 3 bdrm. cottage with gar., boathouse, dock, furnished, sandy beach, $107,500. Joey Taylor, UNGERMAN RLTY. RLTR. 731-7111.

DOMESTIC HELP AVAILABLE

Associated Nursing Care provides bonded R.N.'s,R.N.A.'s Nurses, Aides, homecare, 24 hours. 633-4100.

Lady seeks employment as companion house-keeper for elderly. Experienced. References. Call after 4 p.m. 438-7190.

Selective housekeepers & babysitters available immediately. Local & foreign. Call United International Placement. 922-2277.

DOMESTIC HELP WANTED

Live-in companion housekeeper for elderly lady. References. 663-4707, 638-6806.

Companion for elderly Jewish lady (primarily evenings). Live-in. Private room + salary paid. Bathurst-Wilson area. 531-1158. Mrs. Rosen days.

Looking for live-in help for our lovable 1 year old girl. Mother going back to work part-time. Position starting mid to end of August. Willowdale area. 661-8914.

EMPLOYMENT WANTED

Young man desires to go to Israel. Willing to work to raise funds for trip. Morris - 781-3732. Call between 10 a.m. - 12 Noon Monday - Friday.

HELP WANTED

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HELP WANTED

The Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto is seeking experienced specialist teachers for 1985-86 in the areas of Tanach, Hebrew Language and Literature, Jewish History, and Torah She-b'al Peh. Candidates must possess university degree or equivalent, and teacher certification; must have high school teaching experience and must be fluent in Hebrew. Salary based on scale. Send resume and references to: Rabbi Marvin B. Pachino, Headmaster, 200 Wilmington Avenue, Downsview, Ontario M3H 5J8. No telephone calls, please.

Paid position as executive assistant for University of Western Ontario B'nai Brith Hillel. Approximately 15 hours weekly. Duties to include poromotions, assisting lecture series, suply coordination. Some office duties. Car essential. Apply to The London Jewish Community Centre (519) 673-3310.

HOUSES FOR RENT

Bathurst-Manor. 3 bedroom bungalow. Finished basement with apt. Air-conditioned, appliances, garage. Steps to Shul, shopping, T.T.C., schools. 665-1874.

Ledbury/S. Lawrence — Large executive home 5 plus bedrooms, 4 baths, prime location. $2,300 monthly. Available August '85. References. 787-8036.

Bathurst-Wilson. 3 bedroom 2 storey, completely furnished. All appliances, air-conditioning. Attached garage, near shopping, schools & synagogues. Available August 1 for 1 year. 636-7176. Days 667-3791.

HOUSES FOR SALE

Bathurst-Cedarcroft Sidesplit 60' x 100' lot, fenced yard 3-4 bedroom, 3 baths, central air; fireplace, finished basement. Many expensive extras. Steps to shul, shopping, T.T.C. & schools. 665-1874.

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Lrge. 2 bdrm + ensuite baths, spacious eat-in kit, utility rm, balcony, appls, built-ins, eac + much more. MIRIAM ROSE 223-5100.

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Brick 3 bdrm, huge living & dining rm, 3 baths, finished basement, garage. PAUL PISTER 224-2800.

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Great location! Central air, large 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 parking, indoor pool, excellent view. LEON KOGAN 224-2800.

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Large 4 bdrm bungalow, 3 wash, fin. bsmt, fireplace, appliances, great location, desperate Vendor! Call Today. LEON KOGAN 224-2800.

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SHEPPARD-WILMINGTON — $149,900
Large living and dining rm, huge kit, family rm, 3 bdrm, ensuite, 11% mortgage. Try an offer. OLGA VERRALL 224-2800.

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WILLOWDALE AREA — MUST BE SEEN
Backsplit of bungalow semi, 3 bdrm + family room, walk-out, hollywood kitchen. MARY FENYES 224-2800.

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BATHURST - STEELES
4 bdrm, 2 storey, main fl. fam. and laundry rm., large kit., separate living and dining rooms, 3 baths, central air, dble. garage. PEARLY DENNIS 224-2800.

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BATHURST - STEELES — "UNIQUE"
Unique double orthodox kitchen, 4 bedroom and more. An exceptionally outstanding home! MR. VERRALL 224-2800.

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$114,900 — BATHURST S. OF STEELES
Superb clean 3 + 1 sparkling bungalow, finished basement, master ensuite, new kitchen, central air. Many extras, garage, more. A. LIPTON 224-2800.

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ANTIBES BATHURST 3 BEDROOM CONDO
Just listed & hot — better hurry — walkout to patio, eat-in good kitchen, appliances, pool, great terms. A. LIPTON 224-2800.

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THORNHILL

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You've always wanted to live in a prestigious community in Thornhill — but you've wanted to design and custom build your own dream home. Now, because of increasing demand **Runnymede Dev. Corp.** is offering you this exclusive opportunity to purchase a choice lot to build your own home in the vibrant and exciting Spring Farm Community, with all that it has to offer in the way of religious, recreational, shopping and educational facilities — A totally planned community, which more than 700 wonderful families now call home.
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LOWER VILLAGE — COUNTRY CLUB SETTING
$545,000. Tastefully updated w/inground pool. 4-5 bdrms.; 5 baths; main flr. family rm, w/fireplace; laundry rm. on main; central air. Call Wilma Freedman, 483-4337.

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WHEN THIS ONE'S GONE — IT'S GONE
$469,000. Elegance & seclusion give this 5 bdrm. home that certain feeling. Main flr. library & family rm. Gorgeous lot w/inground pool. Call Jack Solomon, 483-4337.

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LOWER VILLAGE TOWNHOUSE — $379,000
Elegant townhouse boasts lrg. principal rms.; library w/fireplace on main; exquisite master suite. 2-car garage. Call Elaine Goldenberg, 483-4337.

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SPADINA/VESTA — ESTATE SALE
$359,000. Lower Village 4 bdrms.; 4 baths (master ens); main flr. powder rm. + library. Central air. Call Gertrude Kerbel, 483-4337.

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UPPER VILLAGE — $269,000
Just listed. Stunning 2-storey centre hall home on quiet street. 4 fine bdrms.; central air. Pool-size lot. Won't last. Call Elaine Goldenberg, 483-4337.

CENTRAL PROPERTIES

OUR FOUR STAR SMASH — $589,000
Elegant Georgian. Well-appointed principal rms. 6 bdrms. + library; central air; 2 car garage. Sensational residence. Call Harold Hillman, 483-4337.

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RAVINE SETTING — $419,000
Gracious home w/lrg. living/dining rms. overlooking park-like setting. Excellent master w/ens. bath + dressing rm. Fin. lower level. Call Harold Hillman, 483-4337.

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BATHURST & STRATHEARN — $295,000
Breathtaking view from m. SOLD lr. family rm. w/walk-out to deck & inground pool overlooking ravine. Ultra kitchen; 3+ bdrms. Central air. Call Eleanor Stanton, 483-4337.

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ALEXANDRA WOOD
Spacious ranch style Bungalow. Sep. living & dining rms. Fabulous lower level family rm. Central air. Dble. garage. Call Donald Wagman, 483-4337.

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YONGE/ST. CLAIR — $1,375./MO.
Luxury duplex. Approx. 1,900 sq. ft. 3 bdrms.; 2 baths (master ens); lrg. living rm. w/fireplace; sep. dining rm. Adult couple. No pets. References. Call Rose Caplan, 483-4337.

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LOOKING GOOD — $249,000
Attractive 4 bdrm. home w/4 baths (master ens); main flr. family rm. w/walk-out. Lrg. lower level. Close to all amenities. Call Marlene Federman, 483-4337.

BAYVIEW & NORTH PROPERTIES

ONE VIEWING WORTH 1,000 PICTURES
$469,000. Bayview & Fifeshire. Splendid 5 bdrm. home on marvellous lot with inground pool. Library, family rm. + powder rm. on main. Call Jack Solomon, 483-4337.

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BAYVIEW/STEELES — FRENCH CHATEAU
$425,000. Stunning home. 4 lrg. bdrms.; main flr. family rm. + study; ultra white kitchen; superb master suite + ensuite bath. Fabulous extras. Call Eve Hillman, 483-4337.

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CUL-DE-SAC — RAVINE SETTING
$315,000. Bathurst/York Downs. Spacious principal rms.; cathedral ceiling in living rm.; main flr. family rm. Huge lower level. Call Marlene Federman, 483-4337.

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COUNTRY SETTING AT YORK MILLS/YONGE
$284,500. Renovated 2 storey centre hall. Nestled on 180' lot. 3 bdrms.; 4 baths (master ens); panelled library. Central air. Call Elaine Chelin, 483-4337.

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MONTRESSOR AT FIFESHIRE
$227,000. Charming 4 bdrm. home. Main flr. den & powder rm. Fin. lower l SOLD w/games rm. Owner has bought — must sell. Ca Edith Weiss, 483-4337.

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CEDAR SPRING/WILMINGTON — $219,500
This special home offers 4 SOLD bdrms. + 5th bdrm. in lower level. Family-size kitchen + grand family rm. w/walk-out to garden. Call Donald Wagman, 483-4337.

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TAKE ME HOME — $219,000
Willowbrook/Greenlane. 4 bdrms.; main flr. family rm. + library. Fin. lower level. Inground pool. A must to see! Call Lani Alexandroff, 483-4337.

CONDOMINIUM RESIDENCES

YORK MILLS PLACE PENTHOUSE
$325,000. This luxurious condo boasts 2 bdrms. + den; skylit wrap-around windows; high ceilings; central air. Magnificent view. Call Edie Winberg, 483-4337.

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LIVE IN THE GRAND TRADITION
$279,000. Avenue Rd./St. Clair. Designer decorated. Approx. 1,800 sq. ft. w/magnificent view. Key elevator. 2 bdrms.; family rm.; Solarium. Call Eleanor Stanton, 483-4337.

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CONDOMINIUM RESIDENCES

YONGE/BLOOR — $196,000
Stunning model suite in most prestigious building! Sep. living/dining rms.; open balcony + greenery. Approx. 1,500 sq. ft. with every possible amenity. Call Elaine Goldenberg, 483-4337.

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SKYMARK ELEGANCE — $159,900
Approx. 1,600 sq. ft. of luxurious living. Custom suite w/lrg. master suite + den; white kitchen. Built-ins galore. Must be seen! Call Nancy Prussky, 483-4337.

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ST. CLAIR/SPADINA — SUITE DEAL
$159,000. 2 bdrm. condo, SOLD full baths; equipped kitchen; fireplace + 2 balconies. Call Betty Cohen, 483-4337.

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FOREST HILL REAL ESTATE INC. REALTOR 488-2875

***LOWER VILLAGE CONTEMPORARY $485,000**
4 bdrms, indoor pool & sauna. Terrific location. UCCI B.S.S. Marjorie Rasky 488-2875.

***LOWER VILLAGE-DUNVEGAN ROAD**
Circular drive. Renovated interior. Fabulous Florida Room opens to picturesque gardens. 5 bdrms + sensational library with vaulted ceilings. $775,000 Eleanor Wagman 488-2875.

***MUST SELL! GLENCAIRN/BATHURST**
Just reduced. 4 bdrms + den. OFP & w/o to private treed pool sized lot. Eat-in kitchen. 2 bsmt apts. Sauna. C.A.C. Laurell Salcman 488-2875.

***ALEXANDRA WOOD — COURTLEIGH — NEW HOME!**
Fabulous 4 + bdrms, 4 baths, family room, main floor laundry. C.A.C. Many extras. $429,000 Cathy Kwinter 488-2875.

***LOWER VILLAGE — WOODED RAVINE**
Choice street. Stone facade. Carved panelling. W/O family room. South garden. $595,000. David Wagman 488-2875.

***PERFECT STARTER HOME — REDUCED TO SELL!**
$295,000. Charming 3 bdrm home on quiet street. White kitchen. Sep. living and dining rms. Move-in condition. Diana Miller 488-2875.

***1ST AD! LOWER VILLAGE SUPER SPECIAL!**
$339,000. Upgraded kitchen and baths, cozy den, 3 bdrms, oak stained floors. Shows beautifully. Eleanor Wagman 488-2875.

***LOWER VILLAGE TUDOR — $795,000**
Grand principal rms. Fabulous main floor family room. 3 fireplaces. 7 bdrms, 4 baths. W/o lower level to gorgeous garden. Eleanor Wagman 488-2875.

QUALITY HOMES SOLD BY QUALITY PEOPLE

LIL RUSH REAL ESTATE LTD.

CONDO FOR SALE — COURTLAND
Bathurst-Steeles, 2 bdrms., 2 baths. Florida rm., balcony, appls. Asking $104,900. Many extras. Ida Ackerman **636-2200.**

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HEMISPHERES II
Exquisite 2 bdrm. condo plus large family rm., 6 appls., thousands of $$$'s in upgrading, panoramic view, one of a kind! Fritz Reingold **636-2200.**

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BATHURST-SHEPPARD
Charming 5 room bungalow. Garage, modern eat-in kitchen. Self-contained bsmt. apt. Central air. Steps to Bathurst. Millie Herzog **636-2200.**

***A BARGAIN'S A BARGAIN**
Where but Cedarvale can you live in a gracious, traditional 3 bdrm bungalow with full bsmt qtr's for nanny. 7 appliances, central air. Must sell! $139,700. Brenda Thomson 485-2333.

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***BATHURST-WILSON FANTASTIC POTENTIAL**
Detached 7 room. Spacious brick bung.! 3 baths. 50' lot. Near shops, TTC & synagogues. Fruit trees. $120,000. Irving Kotler 485-2333.

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HOUSES FOR SALE

SADIE MORANIS LIMITED REALTOR
449-2020 487-4343
PERSONALIZED SERVICE—QUALITY HOMES

MINIATURE FRENCH CHATEAUX!
In the heart of Forest Hill Village, 3 bdrms, Lot 48x115'. $275,000. A real gem! Priced to sell! A. Consky 487-4343.

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CHAPLIN ESTATES AREA — JUST LISTED
$239,500. 4 bdrms. + sunroom! Original gumwood pan. French doors in separate living/dining, new kit./bath! D. Allen 487-4343.

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6 ACRES + GORGEOUS HOME, $609,000
Bayview-Elgin Mills. Superb 2 storey with every amenity. Gracious entertainment rms. L. Taylor, 449-2020.

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YONGE-YORK MILLS "THE VALLEY"
$352,000. Beautiful property. Elegant Georgian house. W/o's front & back. 4 bdrms., den, fin. lower. Brenda Kinnear 487-4343.

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ROLLSCOURT DR., BAYVIEW-YK. MILLS
Prime location, lge. lot, room for expansion, 3 bdrms., sep. din. rm., mod. kitchen, 2 car. G. Donnenfield, 449-2020.

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BAYVIEW-STEELES — PARKLIKE SETTING
$254,500. Pretty & spacious, 4 bdrms., 3 baths., den, 2 rec. rms., cent. air. Mint condition. N. Schacter, 449-2020.

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LESLIE/BANNATYNE! JUST REDUCED!!
$189,900. 3 bdrms. in prime quiet location! Eat-in kit., ensuite; super family rm. Terry Moranis, 449-2020.

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2 YEARS NEW BAYVIEW-SHEPPARD
$179,900. This beauty boasts main flr. fam. rm. + fplce., powder rm., huge dble. doored master + 4pc. ens. S. Kert, 449-2020.

Midtown Properties

CHARM UNIQUE NOOKS DENLOW ESTATES
$279,000. Tudor exterior south gdn. Mellow main fam. rm. + with frplce. + wet bar, 4 + bdrms. Sandi Kert 449-2020.

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WALK TO SYNAGOGUE! LOVELY 4-BDRM.
$249,000. Bathurst/Glencairn. Fab. decor, main fl. den, 3 baths, large lot, pr. dr. S. Khazzam 449-2020.

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PRIME YORK MILLS LOCATION!
$237,900. 2 storey 4 bdrm. Main floor family & laundry, 4 baths, fin. bsmt., sauna, c. air. Judy Horvath 449-2020.

Condominiums

1ST AD SUPER TOWNHOUSE $139,900!
Bayview-Sheppard. Lovely decor. 3 bdrms. Large L.R., 2 fpl. Fin. bsmt. $45,000 mtge. at 10%. L. Taylor 449-2020.

Country Properties

WATERFRONT IN COLLLINGWOOD AREA!
$239,000. Windsurf & ski — 1.6 acres, mn. house, 2 frplcs., separate guest quarters too. Call P. Cader 449-2020.

SOLNIK & RYBAK REAL ESTATE LTD. REALTOR

*** BATHURST-GLENCAIRN REDUCED!**
A very spacious 8 room backsplit + finished bsmt. Main floor family room, attached double garage! Extras galore. Mrs. Rybak 789-7111, 781-3608.

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***BATHURST-LAWRENCE —**
$139,900. Spacious 3 bdrm bungalow + bsmt apt & rec rm with wet bar. Attached garage. Near amenities. Mrs. Rybak, 789-7111.

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***OVER 2 ACRES**
Prime industrial land. Fully serviced. Ready to build. For further information 789-7111.

allan BROWN REALTOR — COME GROW WITH US

BATHURST MANOR
Custom oversized bkspl., updated thruout. Great location. Anne Eidlitz, 224-0801.

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BATHURST-LAWRENCE
Ranch bung., fam. rm., large lot, in-law apt. Anne Eidlitz, 224-0801.

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BATHURST-WILSON
Renovated 2-stry., large lot. Al Ginsberg, 224-0801.

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BATHURST VILLAGE
4-bdrm. 2-stry., mn.-flr. fam. rm., backs on park. J. Potok, 224-0801.

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COME GROW WITH US
Expansion in our Bayview Village office has created 3 openings for experienced resale agents. Jerry Potok, 224-0801.

HOUSES FOR SALE

SEIDMAN REAL ESTATE LIMITED/REALTOR
633-7373

GODDARD-OVERBROOK
Lge. split level, huge living & dining rm., mod. kit., den, f.p., fin. lower level, 2 car gar., A1 buy! Don't miss!

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BATHURST-DREWRY
3 bdrms., 2 baths, good size living & dining, Hollywood kit., fin. bsmt., 2 car gar.

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WILLOWDALE
Lge. split level, Hollywood kit., bath ensuite, family rm., w/o, good size lot, 2 car gar., many extras. Don't miss!

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YORK DOWNS
2 storey 4 bdrm., good size living & dining rm., mod. kit., appls., finished bsmt., gar., move-in condition.

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FINCH-WILMINGTON
Custom split level, 4 bdrms, 4 baths, elegant living & dining rm., lge. kit., built-in appls., family rm., w/o, fin. lower level, circular driveway, many extras.

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BATHURST MANOR
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BAYVIEW — RAVINE — POOL — $525,000
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LESLIE-GREENLANE $171,900
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OBITUARIES

Elfassy, Mazal on June 30, 1985, late of 59 Bainbridge Avenue.
Freedman, Helen on June 27, 1985, late of 1309 Wilson Ave., #608.
Goldlust, Charles on June 18, 1985, late of 6210 Bathurst Street.
Gottlieb, Herman on June 25, 1985, late of Baycrest Home For The Aged.
Kraus, Max on June 28, 1985, late of 640 Sheppard Avenue E., #1702.
Kriger, Anne on June 22, 1985, late of Lincoln Place Nursing Home.
Mailcach, Doris on Juner 19, 1985, late of 130 Neptune Dr., #1106.
Malinsky, Annie on June 29, 1985, late of 4455 Bathurst St., #808.
Marks, Fanny on June 29, 1985, late of 115 Antibes Dr., #401.
Nerenberg, Samuel on June 24, 1985, late of 35 Wynford Heights, #2108.
Rabinowicz, Max on June 25, 1985, late of 120 Alexis Blvd.
Shapiro, William K. on July 1, 1985, late of 55 Ellerslie Ave., #415.
Starkman, Max on June 18, 1985, late of Lincoln Place Nursing Home.

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Berger, Morris on 6/7/85, late of 8 Chiltern Hill Rd., Toronto, Ont.
Bockner, Henry on 6/18/85, late of 400 Walmer, E. Tow. #2530, Toronto.
Brunswick, Ralph on 6/20/85, late of 80 Antibes Dr., #503, Toronto.
Bydlof, Edward on 6/14/85, late of 127 Barse St., Toronto.
Fisler, David on 6/11/85, late of 5950 Bathurst St., #1104, Willowdale.
Fruitman, Max on 6/7/85, late of 101 Baldwin St., Toronto.
Glatt, Molly on 6/16/85, late of 59 Wembley Rd., Toronto.
Goldhar, Samuel on 6/20/85, late of 44 Charles St. West, Toronto.
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Ochs, David on 6/22/85, late of 122 McGillivray Ave., Toronto.
Osen, Hilda on 6/8/85, late of 12 Rockford Rd., #506, Toronto.
Pearl, Dora on 6/21/85, late of 1925 Steeles Ave. E., Willowdale.
Rittersporn, Edna on 6/14/85, late of 10 Shallmar Blvd., Toronto.
Shapiro, Harry on 6/23/85, late of 675 Roselawn Ave., #404, Toronto.
Silver, Edna on 6/8/85, late of 85 McGillivray Ave., Toronto.
Steinberg, Eva on 6/13/85, late of 112 Fisherville Rd., Willowdale.
Steinfeld-Levi, Debora on 6/21/85, late of 1 Canyon Ave., #308, Toronto.
Tenenbaum, Abraham on 6/10/85, late of 40 Gerrard St. E., #402, Toronto.
Wald, Charlotte on 6/8/85, late of 5 Markdale Ave., #1, Toronto.
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Goodman to Games

Memory of father, pride push runner

By ELISSA S. FREEMAN

TORONTO — For sprinter Jonathan Goodman, the Maccabiah Games will be more than just another track meet.

Four years ago, Goodman was on the verge of making the track and field team being sent to Israel, but an ill-timed calf injury severely hampered his chances. This month, things will be different.

Now 21, the 4th year York University mass communications and political science honors student has made a successful bid to become a member of the 1985 Maccabiah squad. Goodman will run in the 100m and 200m events along with teammate and fellow York student Jonny Cole.

Up until a year ago, Goodman had foregone competitive running. But the memory of not being able to go to Israel soon began to add fuel to a renewed desire. Goodman will also be running in memory of his father, the late Toronto Star president Martin Goodman, who died in 1981.

"The idea of representing your country, no matter what level, is something I can appreciate now — more than I could four years ago. I very much wanted to go back then, especially so my father could watch me. But even today, this is still an inspiration to me.

"My father always encouraged me, he never pushed," reminisced Goodman. "I know he knows what's going on, and I still want to make him proud."

The similarities between father and son are evident. Also an avid sportsman, Martin Goodman had a passion for fastpitch and played in the World Fastpitch Championships in the late 50s. He was still playing for the Toronto Star team until four months before his death.

The younger Goodman has also emulated his father's talent for writing.

"My father never knew that I was interested in writing," said Goodman. "All of what's happened in terms of my writing has occurred after he died."

Jonathan's first taste of journalism came when he was offered a sports internship at the LA Times during the summer of 1983.

He covered a variety of events including professional beach volleyball, was assigned to the visiting team's locker room at Dodger Stadium and wrote feature articles on "Psychology of the Endurance Athlete" and "Baseball Relaxation Tapes."

The following year Goodman became editor of York University's student newspaper "Excalibur" and did marketing research at the Star.

A chat with Star sports editor Paul Warnick then landed him the job of covering university sports during the 1984-85 athletic season.

This past academic year was a busy one for Goodman. Aside from training every day, he carried a full course load, churned out three or four articles per week for the Star and competed for the York track team.

His driven attitude has paid many dividends. A straight-A student, Goodman was awarded the Norman DePoe Scholarship for academic excellence in the field of communications. He also realized his dream of competing for Canada at the Games in Israel by finishing 4th in the 100m sprint and 3rd in the 200m race. He is also a member of the 4x100 relay team along with Cole, Mike Zunder and Alan Tissenbaum.

It is only fitting then that Goodman's talents as a writer and as an athlete should come together during his stay in Israel. While competing for Canada, he will also work on two articles for the Star. "The articles will be of a reflective nature, drawing on my experience at the Maccabiahs."

Group formed to better relations

NEW YORK [JTA] — The formation of a new group, the German and American Committee on Learning and Reconciliation, "to enhance understanding" between the American and German people, was announced at a press conference recently at the Brandeis University House here.

"This is one of the most moving moments I have experienced in recent years," Elie Wiesel, chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, said. He explained that the group has been formed to develop cultural and scholarly projects "to open new avenues" of understanding between the two peoples.

Wiesel said that the group includes 11 members, five Germans and six Americans, including himself. The interfaith group, he noted, has among its members politicians, historians, writers and other scholars. He said that members of the American team were appointed by him while members of the German teams were appointed by German Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

"I hope that the activity of the group will not be at the expense of memory and truth," Wiesel declared. He said that "the idea of such a group came to us before Bitburg," referring to President Reagan's controversial visit to the German military cemetary in Bitburg May 4 where Nazi Waffen SS troops are among the buried.

"In our meetings, we shall try to explore questions that had been haunting our generation for the last 40 years," the noted author of the Holocaust said. "The mystery of evil and the peril of indifference to evil. The relationship between the individual and the nation — the responsibility of human beings to remain in an inhuman society."

Speaking on behalf of the West German members of the committee, Peter Peterson, a Christian-Democrat member of the West German parliament, said that what brought the members of the group together was the wish to insure that "our children will have a future in which a Holocaust will have no place."

He said that Chancellor Helmut Kohl "is very much involved" with the formation of the group and its future activities.

Wiesel announced that the next meeting of the group will be held in West Germany in October.

The German members of the committee, in addition to Peterson, are: Klaus Sohutz, former West German ambassador to Israel and former mayor of Berlin who is now head of Radio Network Deutsch Welle; Dr. Wolfgang Bergsdorf, advisor to Kohl; Dr. Eygen Biser, theology professor at the University of Munich; Dr. Klaus Hildebrand, professor of history at the University of Bonn.

The american members of the committee, in addition to Wiesel are: Rabbi Joseph Asher of Temple Emanuel, San Francisco; Prof. Raoul Hillburg of the University of Vermont; theologian Franklin Littell, professor of religion at Temple University in Philadelphia; Bayard Rustin, labor and civil rights activist; Prof. Sigmund Strochlitz, past president of the American Friends of Haifa University.

Business Outlook

Human resources seen as cure for ailing economy

By
DAVID BIRKAN

TEL AVIV —

Only a free economy can give Israel true political independence, says Dr. Ezra Zohar, a former Marxist who now heads an unabashedly pro-capitalist movement here.

"Israel can become another Japan or Switzerland," he said in an interview with The Canadian Jewish News. "We have the creativity, the brainpower and the technical knowhow."

Members of Atzmaut (independence), the fledgling political party he founded about a year-and-a-half ago, have been writing the U.S. Senate's appropriations and foreign affairs committee not to send Israel the promised $1.5 billion in foreign aid.

The money would only fuel inflation and perpetuate the economic system that created all the problems in the first place, he said.

"It would all be spent by the end of the year, anyway," he added. "What then? Shnorr more?"

He also calls for a gradual shift in USA and Bonds proceeds to non-governmental productive use.

According to Zohar, internal medicine professor at Tel Aviv University and department head at Tel Hashomer Hospital, Israel must turn to its own long-abused human resources to "heal" its economy, gain its strength and attain true international freedom of action.

"Economic independence will facilitate a healthy alliance, one of mutual respect with the U.S., instead of the kind we have now. It will allow Israel to act with or against other states according to its own interests," he said.

The most obvious measure he urges, in line with local and overseas economic experts, is a drastic cut in the perpetually growing government budget. The latter reached 120% of the Gross National Product, according to a New York Times report last November. Government expenditures of more than 40% of the GNP in Western democracies are considered excessive.

Zohar, who grew up in Mishmar HaEmek, an ultra-socialist Hashomer Hatzair kibbutz, commented: "Israel's economic plight represents the failure not of Zionism but of socialism."

He urges that the government:

• Abolish personal income tax and subsidies to stimulate the productivity of a work force that currently pays 60% of its wages in income tax on earnings of $10,000 or more. "This would also provide far greater incentive to invest and expand than the arbitrary benefits dispensed in a time-wasting and bureaucratic manner by government officials," he stressed.

• Sell off most or all of the 200-odd state-owned enterprises, like Israel Railways, El Al, and the Dead Sea Works, whose profitability would rise in private hands and ultimately provide considerably more in government revenue than at present. Sale proceeds would be used for government commitments including temporary unemployment relief until excess staff is absorbed by renascent industry.

• Abolish inflated and unnecessary ministries, and those founded under artifical conditions. The ministry of immigrant absorption, for example, could be cut if new olim were offered a one-time loan from the Jewish Agency, half of which would become a grant after seven years. "They could choose where and how to live, and minimize all those aggravating procedures with bureaucrats and petty officials."

• Sell some of the 90% of the land it owns, at market value, to at once ease the high cost of housing in the metropolitan areas and provide at almost no cost plots for private housing in the Galil and the Negev.

• Revamp Kupat Cholim and other medical funds from being direct employers of physicians to strictly disbursers of insurance-based fees, as in the West.

• Allow hospitals, clinics and other medical facilities to be restructured according to a system of payments for services rendered, rather than rigid salary structures and "putting in time." He relates that an inordinate waiting list forced a neighboring hospital to have its x-ray technicians work overtime. "They were paid, not hourly, but according to the photos produced. The number of x-rays done in a couple of hours exceeded the regular day's output."

• Get out of the money market and allow competition among banks. "As has been seen time and time again in the past, government regulation has failed to afford much protection for the investor," he said.

• Stop providing its own business incentives. "Byzantine arrangements too often based on patronage and political considerations," and have all business turn to the public for financing.

Zohar also advocates an end to excesses within the government like "privileges, fat pensions, innumerable and unnecessary trips abroad, functions overlapping with the Jewish Agency, and, of course, the bloated bureaucracy."

He warned: "If we don't discontinue our independence at our own pace, it will be discontinued by the U.S. itself in a much more abrupt manner — with catastrophic disruptions."

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Business Outlook

Safety of principal one factor

Annuity makes more sense than taking out cash

The Readers Ask

By

MURRAY SHERR & BUNNY BERGSTEIN

Question: I have been thinking about the various options open to me with my RRSP funds. At 68 I have been giving more and more consideration to withdrawing the money in cash over three years as $60,000 seems a lot to turn over to an insurance company. Can you give me any good reasons that taking the money out is not as good as buying an annuity?

Answer: We are often asked questions similar to this, but not as direct. Here are a few reasons we think you will be better off with an annuity than withdrawing the cash.

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Answer: The new budget makes no change in how you make your spousal deposit for the 1985 taxation year. However, it makes a very big difference starting in 1986. Up to now, a taxpayer was allowed to deposit 20% of "earned income" to a maximum of $5,000 for himself or spouse. The definition of what is included in earned income has been changed by the new budget.

New rules in 1986

The new rules will, starting with the 1986 taxation year, no longer allow your pension income, Canada Pension Plan, Old Age Pension, RRSP annuity income or net rental income to be included as earned income.

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